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No Cease-Fire In Korea

PEKING REJECTS RAU PLAN

Chinese Reds Poised For Drive On Seoul

NEW YORK, DECEMBER 22, (PTI-REUTER).

THE NEW YORK RADIO STATIONS TODAY BROADCAST A TOKYO MESSAGE STATING THAT COMMUNIST CHINA HAS REJECTED THE PROPOSAL OF THE THREE-MAN U. N. COMMITTEE FOR A CEASE-FIRE IN KOREA.

The message said that the rejection was contained in a broadcast by the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En-Lai over Peking radio.

The Foreign Minister rejected the proposal as "unlawful" because the Chinese Communists did not participate in the formation of the Committee.

Chou En-Lai said that if "foreign aggressors" still remained in Korea "a state of foreign aggression and intervention is maintained, therefore a state of war is maintained and there can be no real peace."

"ILLEGAL PROPOSAL"

He said the "so-called cease-fire proposals" were illegal and invalid as they resulted from the American and British manipulation and were passed in the absence of Chinese Peoples Government representatives.

He asked why a cease-fire had not been passed when "American aggressive forces" crossed the 38th Parallel in October instead of at the time of heavy defeat.

The reason, he added, was clearly to provide "American aggressive forces" with a breathing space before they attempted further aggression.

Earlier today a Peking Radio broadcast heard in San Francisco declared that "people throughout China are protesting against the so-called cease-fire in Korea proposal adopted by the United Nations General Assembly."

The broadcast said the cease-fire proposal "is against the interests of the Chinese and Korean people who demand immediate withdrawal of all foreign invading troops from Korea and a peaceful settlement of the Korean question."

ANGRY PROTESTS

"Workers, peasants, youths, women, industrialists and merchants of Antung have made angry protests," the Radio added.

"They point out that having sustained heavy losses in Korea, American imperialists directed its satellite countries in the United Nations to adopt the so-called cease-fire proposal in an

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Reds Get Ready For Attack

TOKYO, Dec. 22, (PTI-Reuter): General MacArthur's Intelligence staff warned today that Communist troops were massed just above the 38th Parallel ready to drive south on Seoul

A spokesman said 80,000 to 100,000 men were concentrating north of Chungchon, key town in the middle of the peninsula guarding roads to the South Korean capital.

A preliminary thrust towards Chungchon had already been made yesterday, he disclosed, it was stopped by South Korean troops.

Persistent probing attacks in the past week had been aimed at testing the new United Nations positions prepared in the three weeks' lull since their headlong retreat.

Recent reports, the spokesman said, pointed conclusively to at least one and possibly two North Korean and one Chinese corps, ten to twelve divisions of 8,000 men each being in this general area.

Chinese had not been positively identified but "horses and camels" spotted there suggested Chinese were involved. Roads in the rear were reported clear of snow and there were continued sign of heavy traffic towards the front lines.

MURDEROUS FIRE

In the shrinking Hungnam perimeter to the north-east United Nations warships planes and artillery were still putting down a murderous fire today to hold off heavily reinforced attackers.

Cruisers and destroyers guarding the beachhead were joined yesterday by deadly rocket ships.

Super-forts, light bombers and fighters ,ranged the peninsula throughout the day sending a Communist supply centre up in flames and systematically attacking railway lines from the Manchurian border to the front.

Parliament's New Step

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI): Parliament today departed from the practice so far followed and adjourned to a definite date—February 5, 1951—instead of being prorogued.

Important implications of this, it is learnt, are firstly, that as Parliament is stil in session no ordinances can be issued by Government. In the event of any emergency which necessitates the issue of an Ordinance, the House will have to be prorogued.

Secondly, as there will be no new session in February, there will be no opening address by the President.

Thirdly all notices of amendments to Bills will continue in force. Both Government and private members, for instance, have given notice of important amendments to the Hindu Code. No press notice will now be necessary when the House meets in February. If the House had been prorogued, these notices would have lapsed.

U.S. Bombers To Fight Ho's Men

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The United States is ready to send about 30 B-26 bombers to Indo-China to aid French forces, officials here said yesterday. They said two squadrons would be sent. A squadron usually has 15 planes.

It was reported the planes would be flown to Indo-China by American air men and transferred to the French forces there.

In recent discussions with M. Jules Moch, French Defence Minister, General George Marshall, United States Secretary of Defence, said that bombers would be sent to Indo-China.

The French aircraft carrier Dixmode arrived at an Indo-China port several weeks ago with about 48 American Hellcat and Helldiver fighters.

The United States also has supplies enough ground equipment and ammunition to enable the French to establish 12 battalions of Indo-Chinese nationals to help in the fight against Ho Chi-Minh's forces.

Homoeopaths Condole Sardar's Death

BOMBAY, Dec. 22.—A meeting of homoeopaths ,under the joint auspices of the All India Homoeopathic Association and the Western India Homoeopathic Medical Association, passed a resolution here today, expressing profound grief over the death of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

POLICE HOLD BACK MIGRANTS

Plan To Cross India Border

LAHORE, Dec. 22, (PTI): An attempt at "forcible migration" into India across the Wagah border by over 2,000 refugees of Lahore Bowali Camp yesterday was foiled by armed police squads rushed to the border.

Carrying their paltry belongings, the refugees marched in procession to the border. The timely arrival of police, however, forced them to stage a "retreat".

The Bowali Camp refugees, most of whom are from various districts of Uttar Pradesh, have been agitating for a long time for "repatriation' to India. Their agitation has included occasional demonstrations outside the offices of the Indian Deputy High Commissioner.

They Still Help Assam

	Amount Rs.		
Upto 17-12-50	39,49,531	13	11
Mysore	148	0	0
Madhya Bharat	1,189	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	1,056	11	0
Madras	672	2	0
Manipur	25	0	0
Punjab	20	0	0
PEPSU	10	0	0
Rajasthan	180	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	758	5	0
Vindhya Pradesh	25	0	0
West Bengal	291	4	0
Total	39.53,907	3	11

Delhi Calls For Aid From Economists

BALANCING EXPORTS & IMPORTS ESSENTIAL

ALIGARH, DECEMBER 22, (P.T.I.).

THE COMMERCE MINISTER, MR. SRI PRAKASA, INAUGURATING THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE INDIAN ECONOMIST ASSOCIATION HERE TODAY, CALLED UPON INDIAN ECONOMISTS TO COME TO A "HELPFUL CONCLUSION" IN THE MATTER OF BALANCING EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

He would like controls on imports and exports to disappear if the economists told Government it was possible to do so, he declared.

The conference, held at the Strathey hall of the Muslim University, was attended by about 150 delegates. Prof. V. I. D'souza, Professor of Economics, Mysore University, presided.

Mr. Sri Prakasa said the problem of weighing imports against exports was important in Indian economy. Economists should examine controls in this context. He was sure it would be possible to do away with controls if every individual understood "his duty by society".

The Commerce Minister also urged upon economists to help the Governments in integrating cottage industries in the country's economy. People neglected them but they could be of help in foreign trade as there was a great demand for their products abroad, he said.

Another problem for economists to study, he said, was the "shyness of capital", which had practically put a stop to the growth of industries in the land.

TWO DOGMAS

Prof. D'Souza, in his presidential address dealt with recent trends in economic theory.

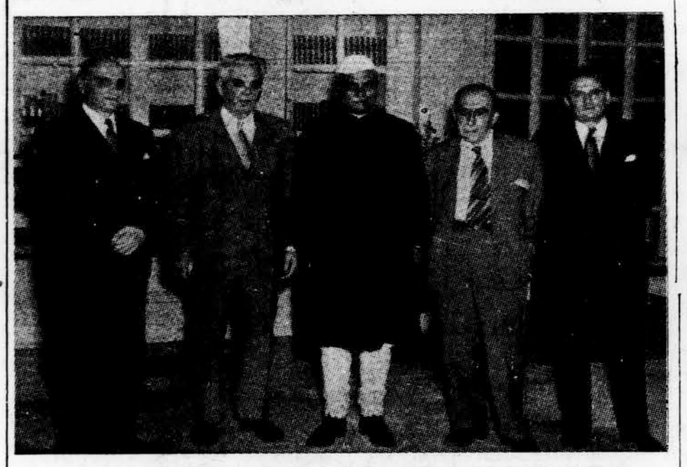
He said there was "a dogma of the right" which asserted that Government should not interfere in the profit motive, and there was also "a dogma of the left" which wanted complete state ownership and managment. There was much to be learnt by contrasting these two forms of economy and making a synthesis resulting in mixed or controlled economy he said.

Welfare economics, which worked through a system of intelligently conceived controls, he added, was reconciliation of the tenets of liberalism and socialism.

Messages wishing the conference success were received from President Prasad, Prime Minister Nehru, and the Finance, the Food and the Industries Ministers.

Pandit Nehru hoped the conference would consider economic problems not merely in an academic way but keeping realities and immediate possibilities before it. Economists in this way could be of a great help to those who had to shoulder the burden of responsibilities.

SENATORS MEET PRESIDENT



U. S. Senators, Homer Ferguson and Theodore Francis Green called on President Rajendra Prasad at the Government House, New Delhi on Wednesday. The group includes Mr. Loy Henderson, U. S. Ambassador in India, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Green and Mr. Thomas Lenner with Dr. Rajendra Prasad in the centre.

DOTI FALLS TO NEPAL CONGRESS FORCES

Siege At Biratnagar Continues

TANAKPUR (NAINITAL), DECEMBER 22, (PTI).

ABOUT SIXTY NEPALI CONGRESS VOLUNTEERS HAVE TAKEN A PART OF DOTI SUB-DIVISION OF WEST NEPAL, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED HERE.

The whole of Baramdyo Mundi across river Sharda is reported to be under control of the volunteers.

The Nepal Government sub-divisional officer at Doti is reported to have escaped earlier.

Adequate precautionary measures have been taken by the U.P. Police at the Indian border outpost here to prevent infiltration from Doti subdivision.

AT BIRATNAGAR

PATNA, Dec. 22 (PTI): A handful of State troops stationed within the premises of the besieged residence of the Governor of Biratnagar tried to break through the cordon of Nepali Congress volunteers before dawn today, according to a Nepali Congress report received here tonight.

Some of them were believed to have escaped after abandoning their arms and ammunition. Meanwhile, the siegeof the Biratnagar Governor's residence continued for the thirteenth day today without any material changes in the situation.

RIFLES SEIZED

BIRATNAGAR, Dec. 22 (UPI): Insurgents "Prajatantra Nepal Radio" which has been functioning since the evening of December 19 last in its broadcast this afternoon claimed to have seized fifteen rifles belonging to the state forces now under siege at the residence of the Governor of Biratnagar.

NEHRU'S STATEMENT WELCOMED

BIRATNAGAR, Dec. 22 (UPI): The announcement by Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on the Nepal situation in Indian Parliament was received here with satisfaction and a sense of relief. But the insurgents' headquarters do not seem to be very enthusiastic.

General Subran, insurgent's overall C-in-C interviewed by the UPI representative on Shri Nehru's announcement said "our forces are triumphing on all fronts in Nepal and are drawing nearer to Kathmandu. We have more important matters to attend than to look to the promised announcement by the so-called Prime Minister of Nepal".

ENTIRE HOUSE AGAINST CHIEF WHIP

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI): The Chief Whip of the Congress Party, Mr. Satyanarayan Sinha, found the entire House on the opposite side when Parliament voted down a clause in the People's Representation Bill.

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, who was piloting the bill, wanted deletion of the clause and asked the House to negative it.

Speaker Mavlankar put the clause to vote

The solitary voice of 'aye' which raised the discomfiture of the Prime Minister and Ministers of the Treasury Bench was that of the Chief Whip who entered the House in good humour and members vociferously negatived the clause as desired by the Government.

The Hyderabad Government has prohibited the export of clay to places outside the State.

New Brood Of Locusts

RAJKOT, Dec. 22 (PTI).—A locust swarm extending over an area of three square miles is reported to be hovering over parts of Gohilwad and Sorath districts.

The locusts, mostly young ones, are believed to have come from breeding centres in Gujarat, where they were reported during the past few months.

Energetic measures are being taken with the co-operation of cultivators who have resorted to drum beating and flares to scare them away.

NEHRU PLEADS FOR CONGRESS UNITY

Address To Party Members

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22, (PTI): Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru addressing members of the Congress Parliamentary Party today is understood to have reviewed the world situation and appealed to members for unity in the country.

He pointed out the grave crisis facing the world today and stressed the need for closing the ranks within the country to meet the situation.

Bidding members farewell till they meet again next year for the budget session, the Prime Minister is reported to have wished them "a New Year of hard work and fulfilment".

Calm Over Cochin China

SAIGON, Dec. 22, (PTI-Reuter): A French military spokesman tonight described the situation over the whole Cochin China area as calm.

Franco-Vietnam forces have carried out mopping up operations in North Vietnam against guerillas and infiltrations of Vietminh troops. The Vietminh forces seemed interested only in the Haidugno region where they launched small but unsuccessful night attacks on various French posts, the military spokesman said.

Senanayake To Leave For London On Dec. 27

COLOMBO, December 22 (PTI): The Prime Minister of Ceylon Mr. D. S. Senanayake will leave by air on December 27 for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference in London next month.

With him will be the Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Defence Sir K. Vaithainathan and the Assistant Defence Secretary Mr. C. R. W. De Silva.

DARBHANGA, Dec. 22 (UPI): A title suit has been filed by the Maharajadhiraja of Darbhanga against the State of Bihar, in the court of the Sub-Ordinate Judge, Darbhanga, challenging the validity of Land Reforms Act. A similar suit has been filed also by the Raja Bahadur of Rajnagar.

OVERTURES TO RUSSIA

West Ready To Find Basis For Talks

LONDON, DECEMBER 22, (P.T.I.-REUTER).

BRITAIN, FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES TOLD THE SOVIET UNION TODAY THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO EXPLORE WITH HER THE POSSIBILITY OF FINDING A BASIS FOR A CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

But, they added that the "narrow basis" of a conference on German demilitarisation as suggested in the Soviet note of November 3 to which they were replying, did not hold out the prospect of a real settlement.

They said they were prepared to designate representatives to find a mutually acceptable basis for a meeting of the four Foreign Ministers and suggested the United Nations Headquarters at Lake Success would be the best place to hold these preliminary talks.

The western powers made these proposals in identically worded notes delivered through their envoys in Moscow today.

BRITISH NOTE

The British note said the British Government had always stood by the United Nations principles for solving international problems by peaceful negotiations.

It said Britain was 'inspired by a genuine desire to put an end to the existing international tension and will spare no effort to achieve so highly desirable an end".

It stated that Britain would be prepared "to explore with the Soviet, United States and French governments the possbility of finding a mutually acceptable basis for a meeting of Foreign Ministers of the four countries.

But it said, the Russian note of last month 'is not such as to hold out the prospect of a real settlement". The note maintained that a discussion of German demilitarisation was not sufficient to remove present tension and said "the only German military force which exists at present is that which has been for many months established in the Soviet Zone and which is trained on military lines with artillery and tanks".

The note then stated that recent discussion on the inclusion of German units in the defence of Western Europe was solely due to Soviet policies which "have compelled the other nations to examine all means of improving their security'..

The British note reaffirmed that there was no question of allowing Western Germany ever to be used as a "base for aggression".

It categorically rejected the Prague proposals as a basis for the settlement of the German problem and said the solutions suggested had already been rejected by the majority of the Germany people.

It drew the Soviet Government's attention to the fact that in the hope of ending the division of Germany the Western High Commissioners had twice this year submitted to the Head of the Soviet Control Commission plans for holding fee elections under international supervision.

These proosals were submitted on May 25 and October 9 but "no reply has been received", the note stated.

SOVIET TO BLAME

In an attempt to diagnose the existing international tension, the British note said the real trouble was not the German problem but "the general attitude adopted by the Government of the USSR since the end of the war".

It maintained that the four governments need not confine their discussions to a narrow basis and said "questions related to Germany and Austria would obviously be subjects for discussion. But His Majesty's Government believe that any discussions should also include the principle problems whose solution would make possible a real and lasting improvement in the relations between the Soviet and the United States, Great Britain and France".

In conclusion the note asked the Soviet Government to give its opinion on the yestern proposals now put forward.

PRESS DELEGATION TO EGYPT

BOMBAY, Friday: The Indian Press Delegation to Egypt, led by Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Editor of the Amrit Bazar Patrika, will leave for Egypt on Sunday evening by an Air-India International plane.

The delegation will be seen off at the airport by the Egyptian Ambassador in India, Mr. Kamel Ismail Bey, who arrived in Bombay today for this purpose.

The delegation, which is going to Egypt at the invitation of the Egyptian Government, will be entertained at a party tomorrow evening at the Taj Mahal Hotel, where the Egyptian Ambassador will be the host.

IKE TO MEET NEHRU

"Daily Graphic's" Tall Story

LONDON, Dec. 22 (UPI).—General Eisenhower, visiting London in the first week of January, will be consulted on Commonwealth defence plans, it is learnt here today. He will meet Pandit Nehru here, says the "Daily Graphic" inside information columnist today.

Eisenhower

The paper says that Premier Nehru will propose to Mr. Attlee the annexation by India of Kashmir and Nepal as the price for co-operation. In return he will offer to make India the base of the new South-East Asia Command. The need for this Command has been stated by the Imperial Defence Committee.

The columnist further says on the advice of Britain, the Prime Minister of Nepal will soon introduce a programme of democratic reform.

War Not Inevitable, Says Vyshinsky

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky declared here today that war was "not inevitable."

"The people of the world do not want war", he told reporters interviewing him in the French liner Liberte which arrived from New York "at least all honest and reasonable people."

THE ATOM FOR PEACE

France To Have Big Laboratory

BOMBAY, Thursday: Western Europe is planning to build the biggest ever laboratory in the Continent for "peaceful atomic research", M. Francis Perrin, France's National Commissioner for Atomic Energy, told the PTI today.

The proposal originated in UNESCO'S last General Assembly at Florence, is being "actively pursued" by Western European countries in co-operation with Britain and the United States.

The European laboratory plan is expected to be approved by the Council of Europe at its next meeting.

Plans were under way to build the biggest cosmotron for the European laboratory for the production of fundamental particles with energies of the order of 1,000 million electron volts. It will be third cosmotron to be built—after those at Brookhaven and California. The cosmotron is the most powerful nuclear accelerator as even the largest cyclotron (at Harwell) cannot exceed energies above a few hundred MEV.

50,000 Muslims Parade In City

PEACEFUL ID DAY

BOMBAY, Friday: A procession of over 50,000 Muslims paraded through the Muslim locality this evening, in celebration of Id-e-Milad, the Prophet's birthday. The procession was headed by Mr. Zahid Shaukatalli, General Secretary of the Central Khilafat Committee, Mr. Ganapati Shankar Desai, a Congress leader, Mr. Jochim Alva, M.P. and Sardar Gian Singh.

The procession which ended in a public meeting at Mastan Talao was addressed by prominent members of all communities.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BOMBAY SWADESHI CO-OPERATIVE STORES CO. LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTYFIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office at Western India House, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay on THURSDAY, the 11th January, 1951, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account made up for the year ending 30th June 1950.
2. To declare dividend on Preference Shares and on Ordinary Shares of the Company.
3. To elect Directors in place of (1) Mr. Hadi C. Tyabjee (2) Mr. V. P. Varde who retire by rotation but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year and fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business that the Chairman may bring before the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday the 5th January 1951 to Thursday the 11th January 1951 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
P. C. JHALA,
Ag. Manager.

Bombay,
24th November, 1950.

THE DIVIDEND on Preference Shares and on Ordinary Shares, if sanctioned will be paid on and after the 31st January, 1951 to those Shareholders whose names stand in the books of the Company on the 5th January, 1951, at the Registered Office of the Company between 12 to 4 p.m. (S.T.) on week days and 12 to 2 p.m. (S.T.) on Saturdays. (9338)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR

SEALED percentage rate tenders are invited for the undermentioned Works on the dates mentioned against each.

No.	Name of work.	Estimated amount	Earnest money.	Security deposit.	Tender fee.	Receiving dates.
1.	Resurfacing & Semi grounting Rajkot Junagadh Veraval Road miles 0|6 to 2|6 from Junagadh towards Rajkot.	39283|-	393|-	1965|-	3|-	27-12-50 upto 2 p.m.
2.	Resurfacing & Semi grounting Rajkot Junagadh Veraval Road from Junagadh to Railway level crossing near Shahpur.	81096|-	811|-	4055|-	5|-	-Do-
3.	Constructing a Masonry bundh and the regulator across the river Noli near Shahpur Bara in Mangrol Taluka.	39170|-	392|-	1959|-	3|-	28-12-50 Upto 4 p.m.
4.	Veraval Patan Road cement contracting of.	190088|-	1901|-	7603|-	10|-	-Do-

2. Earnest money to be credited into Treasury and the Chalan should accompany the tender.
3. The contract documents can be seen at the office of the undersigned and that no tender copy will be given on the tender date.
4. The sealed tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned at the specified time on the date mentioned against each and will be open thereafter in the presence of the contractors who are present
5. For the above works of item 2 and 4, the Chief Engineer and Secretary, P.W.D. Rajkot & for Items 1 & 3, Superintending Engineer, P.W.D. reserve the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.
6. For further particulars, apply to the undersigned.

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NOTICE OF AUCTION.

THE FOLLOWING BUSES will be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION on the 5th January, 1951, at the State Transport Central Vehicle Depot, at Tardeo. The auction will start at 10-30 A. M. (S.T.).

The vehicles for Sale may be inspected on the site, with the permission of the Supervisor Incharge, Central Vehicle Depot, Tardeo, from whom, the conditions governing Auction Sale may also be obtained, if required.

The details of buses scheduled for Auction are:

Make of Vehicle	Reg. No:	Wheel Base	Seating capacity	Year of manufacture
MORRIS	BYD 1945	138"	20	1942.
MORRIS	BYD 1960	138"	20	1946.
MORRIS	BYD 1968	138"	20	1946.
MORRIS	BYD 1936	138"	20	1945.
MORRIS	BYD 1948	138"	20	1943.
MORRIS	BYD 1949	138"	20	1943.
MORRIS	BYD 1979	138"	20	1946.
BEDFORD	BYT 1807	157"	27	1946.
BEDFORD	BYT 1808	157"	22	1946.

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APPLICATIONS are invited from Medical Licentiates of Indian Nationality with Hospital experience of atleast a year in Infectious Diseases Ward of a well equipped Hospital for the post of a Sub-Assistant Surgeon in the scale of Rs. 100-8-140-10-170-EB-10-230 plus allowances as admissible and sanctioned by the Government of India from time to time. Higher initial pay in the scale may be considered in exceptional cases. Private practice allowed provided it does not interfere with Government work. The post is temporary but likely to become permanent. Age should preferably be not more than 28 years. Government servants are eligible provided they apply through proper channel. Applications stating date of birth, qualifications and experience, appointment held and salaries drawn against each with copies of testimonials should reach the General Manager, Fertilizer Project, P. O., Sindri, Distt: Manbhum (Bihar) not later than 3rd January, 1951. Candidates should be prepared to come to Sindri for interview at their own expense.

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TENDER NOTICE

NO. PDI-121(40)/51

Government of India,
Ministry of Food (Division II)

DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL of Food, invites tenders from parties, having experience of foodgrains trade and storage for appointment as Storage Agent for managing Government of India's Foodgrains Storage Godowns at Bombay for a period of one year from 1st March, 1951. Tender forms (not transferable) may be obtained on payment of Rs. 10/- (not refundable) per set in cash or by M.O. (cheques will not be accepted) by applying upto 15th January, 1951 to (i) the Deputy Director-General of Food, Ministry of Food, Division II Jamnagar House, Mansingh Road, New Delhi or (ii) Regional Food Commissioner, Government of India, Combatta Buildings, Bombay, quoting reference to this tender notice number and remitter's full name and address. Last date for receipt of tenders will be 15th January 1951.

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NOTICE.

THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COMPANIES, LIMITED.

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COMPANIES, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at 1, Queen's Road, (opposite Churchgate Railway Station), Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th January, 1951, at 4 p.m. when Resolutions 1 to 4 will be proposed as Ordinary Resolutions and Resolution 5 will be proposed as a Special Resolution:—

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS:

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st July, 1950.
2. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION:

5. To approve of the appointment of Cement Agencies, Ltd., as Managing Agents of the Company from 1st August, 1951, for a period of 15 years, on terms and conditions as to remuneration and otherwise contained in the draft of the Agreement between The Associated Cement Companies, Ltd., and Cement Agencies, Ltd., initialled by the Chairman for identification and placed before the Meeting, and approve the terms and conditions therein contained.

By Order of the Board,
For The Associated Cement Companies Ltd.,
CEMENT AGENCIES, LTD.,
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Managing Director.

Bombay, 30th November, 1950.

NOTE: — The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company were CLOSED from MONDAY, the 6th November to THURSDAY, the 30th November, 1950, both days inclusive.

The Dividend when sanctioned will be made payable on and after Wednesday, the 31st January, 1951, to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on Thursday, the 30th November, 1950. (9341)

PUBLIC NOTICES

UNION PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Advertisement No. 53.

APPLICATIONS invited for the undermentioned posts from citizens of India. Persons who have migrated from Pakistan with the intention of permanently settling in India or subjects of Nepal or of Sikkim or of a Portuguese or French possession in India are also eligible but in their case a certificate of eligibility from the Government of India will be necessary for appointment. Such candidates should apply to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs, for the necessary certificate and furnish satisfactory proof of having so applied. Upper age limit relaxable by 3 years for Scheduled Castes, tribal and aboriginal communities candidates and displaced persons. In the case of Indian employees of the Government of Burma discharged owing to constitutional changes in that country, the conditions regarding upper age limit may not be enforced in respect of temporary appointments while they may be relaxed upto 45 years where necessary in respect of permanent and quasi-permanent appointments. For others, age limits will be strictly adhered to save in exceptional circumstances and in no case beyond a limit of three years. Particulars and application forms from Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, Parliament House, Post Box No. 186, New Delhi. When applying for forms candidates must specify the name of the post. Closing date for applications with treasury receipt or Crossed Indian Postal Order for Rs. 7/8/- (Re. 1/14/- for Scheduled Castes, tribal and aboriginal communities candidates) 20TH JANUARY, 1951. The Crossed Postal Order should be marked payable to Secretary, Union Public Service Commission at New Delhi Post Office to whom also the applications should be addressed. The Commission may, at their discretion, remit the prescribed application fee where they are satisfied that the applicant is a BONA FIDE displaced person and is not in a position to pay the prescribed fee. Cheques or Money Orders not accepted. SEPARATE APPLICATION WITH SEPARATE FEE REQUIRED FOR EACH POST. Candidates from outside India may apply on plain paper if the prescribed application forms not available. Such candidates should deposit their fees at the office of the High Commissioner for India or of the Indian Ambassador or of the Government of India's Representative as the case may be and attach the receipts to their applications. Two weeks' extension allowed to candidates residing abroad. No candidate will be considered for appointment unless he appears for a personal interview if called upon to do so.

1. ONE ASSISTANT ZOOLOGIST, ZOOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA, UNDER THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. Central Service Class II. Post temporary for the present but likely to continue for an indefinite period. Other things being equal, preference will be given to a Scheduled Castes candidate. PAY:—Rs. 275-25-500-30-650-E.B.-30-800. AGE:—Below 42 years. QUALIFICATIONS:—ESSENTIAL:—(i) An Honours Degree or Post-graduate Degree in Zoology of a recognised University. (ii) Experience of Zoological Research work, preferably on the Morphology and Systematics of Mollusca. DESIRABLE:—Some training in the collection and preservation of zoological specimens in the field and in the handling and maintaining of large zoological collections in some Museum or Zoological Research Institution.

2. ONE LECTURER IN MATHEMATICS (ENGINEERING) FOR THE NAUTICAL AND ENGINEERING COLLEGE, BOMBAY UNDER THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE. Post not yet classified and temporary for the present but likely to become permanent. PAY:—Rs. 500-30-800. Higher initial pay may be granted to a specially well-qualified and experienced candidate. AGE:—Below 40 years. Relaxable in the case of Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS: — ESSENTIAL:—(i) B.E. or B.Sc. Engineering Degree of a recognised University or equivalent. (ii) 2 years' practical workshop experience in a senior capacity (not in the sales department). OR 4 years' workshop apprenticeship in a firm of repute. OR 2 years' teaching experience in Engineering Subjects with some practical experience. DESIRABLE:—Proficiency in mathematics, pure and applied and Heat and Heat Engines.

3. ONE VICE PRINCIPAL, DELHI POLYTECHNIC, DELHI, UNDER THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. General Central Service—Class I. Post permanent but appointment will be made on a five years' contract basis in the first instance. Other things being equal preference will be given to a Scheduled Caste candidate. PAY:—Rs. 1,000-50-1,500. AGE:—Below 45 years. RELAXABLE FOR GOVERNMENT SERVANTS. QUALIFICATIONS:—ESSENTIAL:—(i) At least a Second Class degree in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. (ii) About 2 years' sound practical training in a workshop/factory/industry. (iii) About 7 years' teaching cum administrative experience. DESIRABLE:—Corporate membership of a recognised professional institution

4. ONE LECTURER IN TEXTILES (FIGURE, DESIGN AND COLOUR) DELHI POLYTECHNIC UNDER THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. General Central Service Class II (Gazetted). Post permanent and pensionable. Other things being equal, preference will be given to a Scheduled Castes candidate. PAY:—Rs. 300-25-500-30-560. Higher initial pay upto Rs. 400/- p.m. may be granted to a specially well-qualified and experienced candidate. AGE:—Below 45 years. Relaxable for Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS:—ESSENTIAL:—(i) A diploma in Art recognised by the Central or a State Government. OR A good diploma from a recognised Institute of Textile Technology. (ii) About 3 years' experience in Textile Industry as Designer Artist. NOTE:—Practical experience should be principally with reference to cotton weaving but some knowledge of Designing as applied to Textile Printing will be necessary. (iii) Two years' training in a cotton mill as a Textile Designer. DESIRABLE:—Experience in teaching Textile design to students upto Textile Technology Degree/Diploma standard. NOTE:—Candidate should bring with them samples of designs executed by them.

5. ONE VERTEBRATE ZOOLOGIST, DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. General Central Service—Class II. Post permanent and pensionable. Other things being equal, preference may be given to a Scheduled Caste candidate. PAY:—Rs. 275-25-500-30-650-E.B.-30-800. AGE:—Below 35 years. Relaxable for permanent Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS:—ESSENTIAL:—(i) At least a II Class Master's Degree in Zoology with Vertebrate Zoology as a special subject. (ii) Laboratory experience in any first class Zoological Laboratory. (iii) Research experience in any aspect of Vertebrate Zoology. DESIRABLE:—Anthropology as a subsidiary subject in the degree course.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NANALAL SUNDERDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of any nature whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece of land or ground of the Quit and ground rent tenure (the cess whereof has been redeemed) together with the dwelling house standing thereon, situate on the East side of Chakla Street now called Sheriff Devji Street, without the Fort of Bombay, admeasuring 127 square yards or thereabouts, and bearing Collector's Old No. 598, New No. 6258, Old Survey No. 1/980, New Survey No. 2178 and Cadastral Survey No. 777 of Mandvi Division, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector under "B" Ward No. 2126 (2), Old Street Nos. 263/265 and New Street Nos. 23/25, and bounded, on the East by the Sweeper's passage, on the West by the said Sheriff Devji Street, on the North by the property of Fatmabai widow of Haji Hafar Haji Jafar and on the South by a passage and by the property of Abdul Latif Abdulla Haji Allarakhia.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1950.

DABHOLKER & JESHTARAM
Attorneys for the Purchasers.
Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Bombay (1).

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE RESTAURANT MAZDA & CO., INCLUDING THE GODOWN AND THE TRAVELLING AGENCY BUSINESS MAZDA TRAVEL AGENCY WITH THE GOODWILL AND TENANCY RIGHTS.

Under instructions from the Court Receiver, Bombay, as Receicer in suit No. 1153 of 1950 (Behram Rustom Irani vs Aspandiar Khusru Irani & ors) M/s. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public auction on Friday, 12th Jan. 1951 at 4 p.m. on the site at corner of Hughes Road and Cumballa Hill:—

The business of the Restaurant called Mazda & Co. including the godown and the Travelling Agency business called Mazda Travel Agency carried at the corner of Hughes Road and Cumballa Hill with the assets, Stock-in-Trade, articles and things as a going concern with the Goodwill and the benefit of the Tenancy rights. On view from 10-1-51.

For particulars and conditions of Sale apply to M/s. Khanderao Laud & Co., Attorney for the Court Receiver or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE

Under instructions from the Official Assignee of Bombay, and Assignee of the estate and effects of the Insolvent Naranji Damji Thakkar and with consent of the Mortgagee Jethmal Naranji, M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 15th January, 1951, at 1 P. M. (S.T.) at Official Assignee's Office, High Court, Bombay the right, title and interest of the said Insolvent and Mortgagee in the house with 'Delly' Vada, situate at Village Rawapur, Dist. Nakhatrana, Cutch.

For particulars apply to Bennett & CO., at 120, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

BONAFIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A. M. Property of M. Gordon, Esqr. and others at Babulal Mansion, Chawpatty Sea Face of complete household and Office Furniture, Eng. Phillips Safe, Steel Almirah, Typewriter, Sewing Machine, Radio, Wall Clock Elec. Fan, Cassriel Foot Harmonium, Partition, Gramophone, etc. T. 40212.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT 2ND PATHAN STREET.

M|s GANDHI & CO. will under instructions from M|s Khanderao Laud & Co. Attorneys for M|s Chamnaji Tallockchand & Co. Mortgagees & on a|c and at risk of heirs and legal representative of Gangubai Ganpatrao Nagre the deceased, the Mortgagor, pursuant to power of sale contained in the Mortgage of 8.2.33, sell by public auction the undermentioned immovable property on Friday 5.1.51 at 4 p.m. on the premises.

All that piece of quit and ground rent land with dwelling house at 2nd Pathan Street, admeasuring 72.5|9 sq. yds. or thereabouts bearing New Survey No. 5108, C. S. No. 3918 of Bhuleshwar Division, D Ward Nos. 7869, Old Street Nos. 43-45, New Street No. 93, which premises are now in the possession of Mortgagees in possession and in the occupation of their tenants.

For particulars apply to M|s Khanderao Laud & Co. Solicitors, or to the undersigned.

BEST OPPORTUNITY TO CINEMA OWNERS AND INVESTORS.

AUCTION SALE of Immovable properties known as "SHIRIN TALKIES" and "JAMSHED BUILDING" and the Cinema Projectors, Machines, Electric Installations, Furniture, Fittings and all other Articles, Effects & things lying in the Theatre, at the junction of Clarke Road and Mahalaxmi Bridge, Jacob Circle.

M|s GANDHI & CO. will under instructions from M|s Solomon & Co., Attorneys for M|s Kesharimal Umaji and Jawanmal Jethaji Mortgagees under Deed of Mortgage of 4-4-46 executed in their favour by Cursetji Jamshedji Dubash pursuant to power of sale contained in the said Indenture of Mortgage and at the risk of the said Cursetji Jamshedji Dubash but subject to the covenants and conditions mentioned in the Indenture of Lease of 15-12-43 made between the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay of the first part, Madhusudan Damodar Bhat the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay of the second part Pestonji Jamshedji Dubash & Ors. of the third part, and Balvantrao Keshavrao Desai of the 4th part and subject to the Memo of Equitable of 30-8-44 made between the said Cursetji Jamshedji Dubash of the one part, the 1st Mortgagees Bhagwandas Ramdas & Anr. of the other part, the Deed of Hypothecation of 30-8-45 between Mortgagor of the one part, mortgagees of the other part and 2nd Mortgage of 27-9-45 made between Mortgagor of the one part, Damodar Madhavji of the other part, sell by Public Auction the undermentioned immovable properties & all cinema apparatus on Saturday 6th January, 1951, at 4 p.m. on the premises.

All that piece of land, admeasuring 1299 sq. yds. or thereabouts at the junction of Mahalaxmi overbridge and Clarke Road being Plot No. 1 of the Jacob Circle Estate with the buildings known as Shirin Talkies and Jamshed Chawl and bearing C.S. No. 7 of Lower Parel Division, Muncipal G Ward Nos. 48(12A), 43(13), 48(13A), 48(14), 48(15), 48(16), 48(17), 43(18) Street Nos. 48KK, 86, 86A, 84 C, 80, 82, 84, 84A, 84B, 10-15, 48P and 48 Q.

Machinery pertaining to Cinema such as 2 Project Machines, of C.T.R. complete in running order, Amplifiers, Slide Machine, Loud-Speaker, Ceiling fans, etc., fixed furniture, cushioned sofas, Lights, & all other articles, effects & things lying in the Theatre.

For further particulars apply to M|s Solomon & Co., Solicitors, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT KHETWADI MAIN ROAD.

M|s. GANDHI & CO., will, under instructions from M|S. Mazgonwalla & Co., Attorneys for the Vendors sell by Public Auction undermentioned very valuable immovble property on FRIDAY, 12-1-51 at 4-30 p.m. on premises.

All that piece of land or quit and ground Rent Tenure with buildings and outhouses at Khetwadi Main Road fronting Khetwadi Main Road, on South side containing by admeasurement according the last conveyance about 1093.6|9 square yards but stated be 1115 square yards in the Cadastral Survey Register, be the same more or less and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 1640, 2123 and 2124 and Collector's New Nos. 3766 and New Survey No. 2|5491 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1043 of Girgaum Division and assessed by the Municipality formerly under "D" Ward Nos. 1872 and 1873 and Street Nos. 1 and 2 and now "D" Ward No. 1872 (1), (1A), (2) and 1873 Street Nos. 193 and 220 A, 190B, 200-202 and 200-202, 204 Khetwadi Main Rd.

For further particulars of sale please apply to M/s. Mazagonwala & Co., at their office at Lentin Chambers, Fort, or to us.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SITUATE ON THE ROAD JOINING GOKHALE ROAD NORTH AND RANADE ROAD EXTENSION, NEAR SHIVAJI PAIK DADAR, BOMBAY.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., will, under instructions from Messrs. Pathare and Liladhar, Attorneys for Mugatlal Jekrishna Bhatt and others Mortgagees and on account and at risk of Manohar Vishnu Kale and Vasant Vishnu Kale Mortgagors in pursuance of power of sale in Indenture of Mortgage dated 28th day of October, 1949 and made between said Manohar Vishnu Kale and Vasant Vishnu Kale Mortgagors of one part and Mugatlal Jekrishna Bhatt and others Mortgagees of other part, sell by Public Auction the undermentioned immoveable property, on THURSDAY, the 18th day of January, 1951, at 4 P. M. on premises.

All that piece land together with building thereon being plot No. 11 being at 60 feet Road near Shivaji Park in containing on actual admeasurement 530 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1482, Cadastral Survey No. 1596 of Mahim Division G Ward Nos. 4396 (3) Street No. 5 and G Ward Nos. 4369 (3A), Street No. 729 A. B.

For Particulars conditions apply to Messrs. Pathare and Liladhar Attorneys Solicitors at 36, Tamarind House, Fort, Bombay or to us.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES AT CHINCH BUNDER ROAD OR CHINCH BUNDER SEA ROAD.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., will under instructions from Messrs Thakordas and Madgavkar, Attorneys for Maneckchand Madhavji and Ors, Trustees of Gandhi Madhavji Lalji Una Pragana Dasha Shrimali Boarding and on account and at the risk of Mooljl Jeram Rangwalla, the Mortgagor and pursuant to the power of sale reserved to Mortgagees under Deed of Mortgage, dated 13th May, 1943, sell by Public Auction on Friday 12th day of January 1951 at 4-30 P. M. the undermentioned very valuable immovable properties on premises.

FIRSTLY:—All that piece of land of quit and ground rent tenure with tenements being on the Western side of Doongri Coolee of Chinch Bunder Sea Road bearing New No. 6948 Old, Survey No. 106 and New Survey No. 1701 Cadastral Survey No. 1707, of Mandvi Division New Street No. 14 and Ward B No. 1078 (1) and containing by admeasurement 184 square yards and five ninths of another square yard be the same a little more or less.

SECONDLY:— All that piece of quit and ground rent tenure at Chinch Bunder Road containing by admeasurement 20 square yards or thereabouts together with structures being portion of property bearing New No. 6948 and New Survey No. 2701, Cadastral Survey No. 1707 Mandvi Division B Ward No. 1078 (1) Street Nos 30-32 Chinch Bunder Road.

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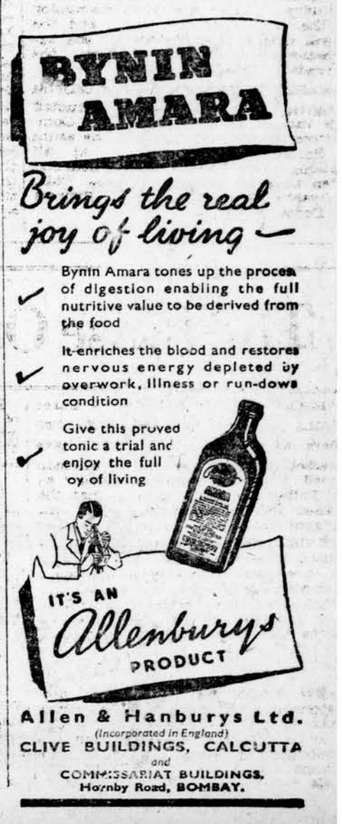
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SUNSET: 6-8 p.m.
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Today's Engagements

NEW ERA SCHOOL: Twenty-first Annual Games and Sports, Gowalia Tank Maidan, 3-30 p.m.

PRAVRITTI SANGH: Annual Gujerati Inter-Collegiate Competition, Blavatsky Hall, French Bridge, 4-30 p.m.

BHARAT EDUCATION SOCIETY: Inauguration of Arts and crafts exhibition, Sirdar High School, Khetwadi, 6 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL FILMS OF INDIA: Film show, "Essentials of Success in Business," 91, Walkeshwar Road, 6-30 p.m.

POST GRADUATE ASSOCIATION: Winter Social, Seth G. S. Medical College, 8 p.m.

TEACHERS TRAINING ACADEMY: Lecture on Psychology by J. H. Trivedi, N. H. Vidyarthi Bhuvan, 8 p.m.

SIR P. M. GARDENS: Moonlight Band Music by Ferns Melody Boys, 8 to 10 p.m.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ: Patakom (Malayalam) "Kiratham" by K. Damodaran Nambiar at the Podar College Hall on Sunday at 5 p.m.

COSMIC RESEARCH ON HIMALAYAS

Proposal To Start A Station

BOMBAY Friday: A proposal to establish a high-altitude Cosmic Ray Research Station in the Himalayas was today discussed by the International Cosmic Ray Commission which met at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research here.

The Commission examined various proposals to be placed before the next General Assembly of the International Union of Physics and the UNESCO.

Headed by British Nobel Laureate PMS Blackett, the Cosmic Ray Commission decided to recommend that assistance be given to scientists in different parts of the world to carry out experiments at existing stations and travel to other latitudes in pursuit of esearch.

It was also decided to utilise to the best advantage existing high-altitude cosmic research stations, under the guidance of the International Union of Physics.

India is one of the 25 nations which have signified adherence to the International Union of Physics which directs fundamental and applied physical research in co-operation with the UNESCO.

OVERSEAS SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851 have offered one Science Research Scholarship to an Indian student for the year 1951. The scholarship is for post-graduate studies and is intended to enable a selected candidate, who has already completed a full University course and given evidence of capacity for scientific investigation, to devote himself for two years to research work under conditions most likely to equip him for practical service in the scientific life of the Commonwealth.

Applications for the scholarship, in the prescribed form, should be made through any of the Universities in the State so as to reach the Education Department of the Government of Bombay, Secretariat, Bombay, by January 10 for onward transmission to the Government of India and the Royal Commission. Copies of the application form can be had from the Education Department.

MARK OF RESPECT: The Gujerat Congress Committee has instructed the various District Congress Committees to offer the salute to the asnes of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at all stations from Bombay to Ahmedabad when they are brought here by Mr. Dahyabhai Patel by Saurastra Express on December 27.

ACCOMMODATION CONTROL OFFICE

Duties Explained

BOMBAY, Friday: Although the activities of the Office of the Controller of Accommodation have been restricted to the allotment of premises to Government servants only for the past two years, it has been noticed that members of the general public continue not only to apply for accommodation to the Controller but call at his office for the purpose.

This results in considerable loss of time and energy of the Controller and his staff, besides causing disappointment to those who approach them. The Government would like to impress upon the members of the general public that they should refrain from making any approach to the Controller for allotment of residential or non-residential accommodation.

The Controller is, however, allotting suppressed vacancies to the first informants, but in such cases also the informants need not pay visits to his office. They will be informed of the results of the enquiries as soon as they are completed. Normally, it taken more than two months to complete preliminary inquiries into a suppressed vacancy.

As regards the sale and purchase of a running business, it is not necessary for the purchaser concerned to seek permission of the Accommodation Department or to give intimation to it about such a transfer of the premises. The Department, however, would take the necessary action if at any time it finds that a malafide transaction was made.

There is also no need for the parties concerned to approach the Accommodation Department for obtaining sanction for transfers of rent; oills in the names of the existing legal tenants. It is primarily for the landlord to determine whether a person is a legal tenant and then to issue the rent-bills in his name.

SHRI. C. PURANI DEAD

Popular Leader Of Gujerat

BOMBAY, Friday: Shri Chotubhai Purani died of heart failure in Bombay on Friday morning. Shri Purani one of the oldest Congress leaders of Gujerat was a great believer in physical culture and was the pioneer of the Akhada movement in Gujerat. He participated in the national struggle on every occasion and during the last 1942 movement was underground for years.

After the advent of freedom, like many others, he left the Congress and joined the Socialist Party with whose organisational work in Gujerat he busied himself. Apart from organising the district of Broach to which he belonged he played an important role in social and national movements in the province. On account of advancing age and failing health he retired from the secretaryship of the Socialist Party only a few weeks ago

Power To Improvement Trust Bodies

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, December 23: It is reliably learnt that the Lucknow and Allahabad Improvement Trust bodies will be empowered to impose stamp duty and entertainment tax in order to increase their revenue. Degislation to amend the present Improvement Trust act will be passed in the Legislature soon. This will enable the Trust bodies to make improvements in constructing buildings repairing and constructing municipal roads and have reserved funds for future.

Homoeopaths' Tribute To Sardar

BOMBAY, Friday: A special meeting of homoeopaths held under the joint auspices of the Asiatic Countries' Homoeo-Medical Board, All-India Homoeopathic Association, and Western India Homoeopathic Medical Association, paid their homage to the memory of "selfless sacred services of the sincere son of the soil, Sardar Patel." A resolution adopted at the meeting recorded his activities as untiring and incessant in the cause of the country and described Sardar Patel's death an irreparable loss to the Indian nation "as he was the only iron-man of the age to serve the best interests of the Indian nation and the nations of the world at large."

ELEMENTARY PARTICLES CONFERENCE ENDS

Exhaustive Discussion Of Nuclear Theories

BOMBAY, Friday.

OVER a hundred nuclear physicists from the Commonwealth, Europe and America today concluded here a ten-day conference on "Elementary Particles" to assess the "successes, limitations and difficulties" of current nuclear theories.

The conference, first of its kind in India, was highlighted by lon-drawn-out discussions on fundamental particles and cosmic rays, in the light of latest experimental data communicated by the delegates.

New attempts and results in the fields of cosmic ray research, nuclear interactions and transmutations were announced to the conference in a score of papers. Detailed discussions which followed the communications enabled the veterans to "get together and know the problems better."

The conference took stock of the astounding strides which the subject of cosmic rays has made since 1911—when Hess, baffled by the loss of charge in his electroscopes, attributed the phenomenon to "some strange rays."

LATEST FINDS

Millikan could not have imagined that persistent human effort would unravel so many of nature's mysteries so soon when he christened these "strange sources of energy" as "cosmic rays" in 1925.

For, the international conference on "Elementary Particles" heard from over a dozen eminent cosmic ray workers—some of them, living authorities in their fields—reports of their "latest finds" in the realm of research.

The presence of British Nobel Laureate P.M.S. Blackett, Dr. I. Rosenfeld, Bohr's collaborator in his pioneer atom researches, M. Francis Perrin, France's National Commissioner for Atomic Energy and Dr. H. J. Bhabha, one of the eminent theoretical workers in nuclear physics, gave the conference a global authority. It set the seal of approval on many original communications from India and other parts of the world.

QUANTUM THEORY

No nuclear theory—classical or modern—escaped attention at the Bombay conference. The keynote of the discussions were the "fundamental difficulties in the Quantum Theory in explaining nuclear forces and motion of high-energy particles."

Latest work of Italian-born Henrico Fermi, one of the greatest contributors to modern nuclear theory, was communicated to the conference. The anxiety of nuclear scientists to compile a sound theory of nuclear forces, was the undercurrent of prominent theoretical work read to the delegates.

Among the key contributions were papers on "Measurability in Quantum Electrodynamics" (Bohr and Rosenfeld), "Geometry of Spinors" (Perrin), "New Results in Relativistic Wave Equations" (Bhabha), "Review of Methods in Meson Theory" (Wentzel), and "Plural Showers" (Heitler).

INTENSITIES

Experiments communicated to the conference centred round measurement of cosmic ray intensities, recent techniques and work in nuclear transmutations and physical observations in the upper air.

Professor P. M. S. Blackett, who won the coveted Nobel award for his work on cosmic rays, spoke on the cloud chamber photographs of V-Particles and the origin of cosmic rays.

Cosmic rays, Professor Blackett said, were not wholly of nuclear forces according to modern observations. There were also thermal, kinetic and gravitational energies that came in the picture. Research on "black clouds" were under way and new knowledge on the novel physical features of cosmic showers was expected from it.

DARK MATTER

Professor Blackett indicated that large-scale studies of "dark matter" would open up an extensive, new field of research and results.

Criticism, besides communications, aided the spread of information better. However, such criticism was only in the nature of scientists "thinking aloud"—and delegates retired enthused and enriched with new ideas, new problems and new methods of approach to their subjects.

The conference brought out one point clearly—how unfettered international co-operation and free exchange of ideas can add to human knowledge of nature's "closed book". It also filled some erstwhile hesitant workers with optimism that their colleagues and coworkers would as actively pursue their problems and lend utmost collaboration in solving the theoretical and experimental difficulties.

AN OPPORTUNITY

To the younger workers and students, the conference gave life's opportunity to meet and talk over their research problems with the eminent authorities on the subject. Contacts made at the Bombay conference, observers believe, would go a long way in long-term co-operation between the older and younger sections in the world of science, which transcends barriers of religion, nationality and politics.

To India and the East, the conference proved "exceedingly valuable." The proximity of India and Ceylon to the geographic and geo-magnetic equators and the active state support to science in the countries are expected to result in intense cosmic ray studies in this region shortly.

HELP TO METEOROLOGY

Meteorology will gain many valuable techniques due to the series of upper air studies likely to be launched in the tropics shortly.

To nuclear research, the conference has opened a vast field. Information on advanced nuclear studies at Harwell, Chattillon, Bristol, Rome, New York and Manchester became available for the first time at this conference. R. F. Peierls read a paper from J. D. Cockroft, Director of the Atomic Energy Station at Harwell, on the production of beryllium (7) by bombarding carbon (12) with protons. Other communications on the subject included nuclear interactions produced by Pi-Mesons (G. Bernardini), scattering of fast Mu-Mesons by nucleons (E. Amaldi) and further atempts to detect negative protons and di-neutrons (N. Feather).

Immediate benefit to India from the particles conference will be the "extension lectures" of Rosenfeld and Wentzel, who are staying back in this country for three more months. Other visiting scientists will see as many national, university, collegiate and private laboratories in India as possible during their five-week tour arranged by the Government of India.

The conference was a milestone in the history of the UNESCO, whose substantial grants made this meeting of scientists possible. Besides, national associations in the participating countries co-operated with governments in enabling their key atomic scientists to be away for long for the Bombay conference.

Dr. Homi J. Bhabha, Director of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research and one of the sponsors of the conference, told the delegates today he hoped to convene annual meetings of Indian nuclear workers and trienial meetings of international atomic scientists in India. The first national nuclear conference, he added, would be convened next December in Bombay "bringing together Indian atomic physicists as never before."

In the opinion of foreign delegates, the particles conference was "memorable" and many of whom expressed keen enthusiasm of current atomic research in India. "It is nice to see many young Indian scientists in this field and we expect great things from them," Doctor Blackett told the Press Trust of India after the conference.

LOCAL SHOWERS IN TRAVANCORE

All-India Weather

POONA, Dec. 22 (PTI).—The following is the daily weather summary for Friday.

There have been local showers in Travancore-Cochin and South Tamilnad and a few showers in Assam and in and Near East Uttar Pradesh.

Night temperatures were 6 degrees—12 degrees F below normal in North-West India, North Gujerat, Kutch and parts of Saurashtra, stations in North Rajasthan reporting temperatures below freezing point.

Forecast valid until Saturday evening: There will be local showers in South Tamil Nad and Travancore-Cochin and a few showers in East Uttar Pradesh, North Bihar, the Darjeeling Hills and Upper Assam.

Night temperatures may fall in Madhya Bharat, West Uttar Pradesh, South Rajasthan, Saurashtra and Kutch, Gujerat and North Deccan (Desh) and rise in Bihar and sub-Himalayan West Bengal. Temperatures will continue markedly below normal in North Rajasthan and the Punjab(I).

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past twenty-four hours from 1st October 1950 and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. I.S.T. on 22nd Dec. 1950:—

	Tem. Mx	Tem. Mn	Rainfall 24h	Rainfall S.O.1	Dfn
Ahmedabad	81	47	0	0	—1.9
Bangalore	77	61	0	14.2	+6.3
Baroda	84	48	0	0	—2.6
Belgaum	83	57	0	8.4	+1.9
Bhavnagar	84	50	0	0	—1.2
Bhopal	85	51	0	0.1	..
Bhuj	74	47	0	0	—0.5
BOMBAY	84	65	0	1.4	—1.7
Cherrapunji	64	46	0	19.8	—2.7
Darjiling	49	37	0	2.8	—3.7
Gwalior (Madhusagar)	75	53	0	0.1	—..
Gorakhpur	81	60	0	0.1	—3.2
Gulbarga	85	59	0	2.1	—1.7
Hanamkonda	85	64	0	1.5	—2.3
Hornai	83	71	0	1.0	..
Honavar	92	69	0	2.7	..
Indore	84	39	0	0.1	—1.9
Jaipur	76	33	0	0	—1.8
Jamshedpur	88	58	0	1.4	—1.8
Jabalpur	85	55	0	0.5	—2.2
Kanpur	79	54	T	0	—1.8
Kodaikanal	62	52	0.1	14.0	—10.7
Kolhapur	85	57	0	7.8	..
Kurnool	86	61	0	2.8	—1.7
Mangalore	90	71	0	9.5	—1.8
Mahabaleshwar	77	59	0	8.8	+0.6
Marmagao	86	71	0	3.4	—4.6
Mercara	..	61	0	7.6	—4.2
Mussoorie	52	37	0	0	—2.3
Mysore	80	63	0	7.5	—1.5
Ootacamund	67	39	0	13.2	—2.5
Pachmarhi	77	51	0	0.2	—3.3
Poona	87	53	0	2.8	—1.9
Rajkot	79	47	0	0	—0.9
Shillong	60	42	0	10.5	+2.0
Sholapur	86	57	0	3.0	—1.7
Simla	48	33	0	0.3	—2.2
Surat	87	54	0	0	—1.8

Appearance Of Pleaders

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Following the revised legal opinion, the Government of Bombay has directed that the Advocates enrolled under the Indian Bar Councils Act should be allowed to practise in proceedings under the Bombay Tenancy and Agricultural Lands Act, as a matter of course. Only such pleaders as are not so enrolled but hold sanads under the Bombay Pleaders Act would require special permission for appearing in such proceedings.

SUICIDAL TO CUT DEFENCE FORCES

Dr. Khare's View

BOMBAY, Friday: "It is absolutely wrong at the present juncture to reduce the strength of the Indian army particularly when the world seems to be in the throes of third world war," observed Dr. N. B. Khare, President of the Akhil Bharat Hindu Mahasabha in a statement in Bombay today.

Dr. Khare, who arrived in Bombay this afternoon on his way to Poona to preside over the Mahasabha session commencing there on December 24, added that it would be suicidal to reduce the army at this moment.

When questioned about the emergence of a new political party as a result of the Mahasabha deliberations in Poona, Dr. Khare said that he was not in a position to comment on it at the present stage.

Replying to another question he said that the Mahasabha Parliamentary Front had already been thrown open to non-Hindus who, however, could not become members of the Hindu Mahasabha. If these non-Hindus did not subscribe to the political creed of the Mahasabha, they would not be allowed to participate in its activities. he concluded.

Return Of Burma Evacuees

BOMBAY, Friday: Evacuees from Burma holding Evacuee Identity Certificates can return to Burma up to December 31, 1950, on the strength of these certificates, which should be duly verified and endorsed by the Burma Immigration Officers in India. They should, however, be in possession of Indian passports.

After December 31, the evacuees can return to Burma only by obtaining temporary visas on their passports. They will be allowed to remain in Burma permanently if they can establish, to the satisfaction of the Immigration authorities, that they have resided in Burma for eight years ou of the 10 years preceding January 1, 1942.

This residence qualification is not a statutory requirement but has been generally accepted as a working immigration principle. Evacuees in possession of this residence qualification and in a position to produce satisfactory evidence to that effect, therefore, need not to be in any hurry to return to Burma.

In the absence of such residence qualification, however, they will be treated only as temporary immigrants and will not be allowed to stay in Burma beyond the period covered by the visas obtained by them.

Protest Against Ceylon Pact

BOMBAY, Friday: A "strong protest" against the pact between the Ceylon Government and Presidents of Indian Mercantile Chamber and other Indian and Pakistani Trade Associations in Ceylon, has been voiced by Mr. P. D. Saggi, General Secretary of Indian Nationals Overseas Congress.

Mr. Saggi appealed to the Government of India and Pakistan to take up the questions through their representatives in Ceylon so that "this "unhappy chapter could be amicable closed."

Home Guards Band

BOMBAY, Friday: The Home Guards band will play near Venu Kutir at Krishnagiri Upvan, Kanheri National Park, Borivli on Sunday December 24, at 5 p.m.

NATIONAL PARKS ACT PUBLISHED

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Bombay National Parks Act, 1950 has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette, of December 19, after it had received the assent of the President of the Indian Union. The Act makes provision for proper management and protection of the parks, monuments and recreation grounds in the State. It also empowers the Government to declare any suitable area to be a National Park and also to acquire land over which any private right is claimed.

DETAINED: Seth Virappa S Muddana, a merchant of Gulbarga, has been ordered to be detained under the Preventive Detention Act of 1950 in the interest of maintenance of supplies essential to the life of the community, announced a press note.

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The Pulse Of The City

ARSON & HARASSMENT: Three persons Jehangir Nallaseth and two others who were alleged to have harassed an old Parse gentleman named Erachshah were arrested by the Paltan police. It is said that the accused demanded money from the old gentleman for certain advice they were supposed to have given. When he refused to comply with their requests the three persons are alleged to have attempted to set fire to the staircase of the building where Erachshah lived. A resident of the building finding this, informed the police and the culprits were arrested by the police.

NEW RECRUITS: The hotel proprietors who have been given strike notice by the employees have decided to recruit new hands through the Employment exchange to thwart the attempt at stoppage of work in the hotels.

DEMONSTRATION: The workers of the B.I.E.T. have decided to demonstrate before the offices on next Thursday as a protest against nonpayment of bonus.

TOO LATE: A refugee woman gave birth to a child in a Bombay suburban train on Friday. The expectant mother was travelling to a hospital in Bombay city. The fellow travellers helped her in the deliv. She was taken to maternity home when the train reached Churchgate terminus.

RAILWAY'S WINDFALL

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The G.I.P. Railway detected 50,308 persons for travelling without tickets during October, exclusive of beggars turned out of trains, a railway announcement stated here today.

The total amount collected in excess fare and penalties was Rs. 1,24,162.

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Christmas Eve at Dingley Dell

"Christmas was close at hand, in all his bluff and hearty honesty"....how well Charles Dickens portrays the spirit of Christmas in his immortal story of the Pickwickians' visit to Manor Farm, Dingley Dell.

Mr. Wardle's mistletoe "gave rise to a scene of general and delightful struggling". The mighty bowl of wassail and the Christmas Carol which caused such "perfect ecstasies of rapture", are echoes of a bygone age.

Times change, but Christmas still remains the season of family gatherings, gifts and goodwill. One sure way to establish goodwill is to give "Wills's Gold Flake", a delightfully satisfying cigarette, at Christmas or at any other time.

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Blood Plasma Chemical From Seaweed

EDINBURGH, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter).

SCOTTISH scientists have developed a new chemical from seaweed which may rival the human body as a source of blood plasma, it was announced here last night.

Known as laminarin, it has been produced by the Scottish Seaweed Research Association at its institute at Musselburgh, East Scottish fishing town six miles from here. It may also prove to be a substitute for talcum powder, it was stated.

What is believed to be the only known sample of the new chemical in the world will be shown today to Mr Hector McNeil, Secretary of State for Scotland, when he opens a new laboratory at Musselburgh.

Discovery of laminarin opens up vistas of new industry and new progress in man's eternal battle to save man.

ASIA CAN PROVIDE A THIRD WAY OF LIFE

U. S. Republican Leader's View

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI): Mr Harold E. Stassen, prominent American Republican leader, now on a visit to India, told pressmen today that in some respects there were indications of a greater understanding of the Soviet Union in Asia than in the United States.

The "great question of our time" he said, was whether the United States and Soviet ways of life could co-exist. He believed they could, provided neither tried to impose by force its way of life on the other.

But, he added, there were other ways of life too that had elements of both or that gave a different emphasis. Asia particularly, with its different religious background and consequently a different philosophy, could provide a major third stream of philosophical thought leading towards a third way of life.

Asia, the ancient cradle of civilisation, may well be the modern cradle of world peace," he said.

CREATING DIVISION

Mr. Stassen warned that constant efforts were being made by Communists at one extreme and very reactionary nationalists at the other extreme to bring about division between India and the United States, between England and the United States and France and England. He had nothing to say against Communism as such. In fact, he said, America would give economic aid to any Communist country if it indicated it was going to increase the liberty of its people and that it had no expansionist policy towards other countries.

The most reactionary leaders in the world were the Communist leaders who took their directions from the Kremlin. He denied that the United States today supported reactionary leaders in certain countries. If one looked at the record of the United States, it would be found that the United States had supported Indian independence and progressive people like Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Nehru and Sardar Patel.

After the war the United States supported the rebuilding of the countries of Europe which no one could call reactionary. But the agreed that in certain countries "you have a difficult choice between leaders who, you do not feel, are as progressive as they should be and leaders who follow directions from the Kremlin.

A WISH

"You wish there were a third movement that was genuinely progressive and forward looking, similar to your Government in India. Unfortunately in a number of cases in the world there has been no such third developments."

The United States, said Mr. Stassen, had developed a 'modern people's capitalism,' in which monopolies were strictly prohibited. The result had been an amazing development of productivity. For instance, the United States was producing over a hundred million tons of steel a year, out of which the biggest company only produced one-third and a couple of other companies one-seventh.

Asked whether he would favour a Marshal Aid plan for Asia to raise living standards in Asia, Mr. Stassen said: "Economic aid to Asia is one of the important policy questions that I am thinking about and enquiring into on this trip. I will confer with the other leaders of my party when I return to the United States and then express conclusions on it."

Mr. Stassen made it clear that the views expressed by him were personal.

Plea For Asia's Development

NEW YORK, Dec. 21, (PTI-Reuter): A plea for full partnership of of the non-Communist world to make Asia's economic development a first concern of Governments of Asia and the non-Communist world was published here yesterday by the Australian Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Percy Spender.

The plea was the subject of a 7,000-word article he wrote for the quarterly Foreign Affairs published here yesterday. The magazine is the journal of the Council of Foreign Relations, a private but influential body.

The non-Communist world, he declared, must associate itself with Asia's constructive reformist ideals and not merely approach Asia with Western democracy's liberalism. It must avoid arousing resistance of Asian Governments and peoples determined to reject all forms of Western imperialism.

Pandit Dubey For Rangoon

NAGPUR, December 22 (UPI): Pandit Kunjilal Dubey Vice-Chancellor of the Nagpur University, and Chairman of the Inter-University Board for India, Burma and Ceylon, is leaving on December 27 by air for Rangoon to preside over a three-day conference of the University Board commencing there on December 28.

This is for the first time that the board is meeting at Rangoon and it is expected that all the Universities in India will be represented at the conference.

17,000 Miles Thro' 14 Countries

OXFORD (By Mail): Crowds in the streets of Christchurch, New Zealand welcomed 30 year-old Lord Kilbracken on November 20 as he drove a Morris Oxford into the town. It was the end of a 17,000 miles trip through 14 countries which began in London in March and gave Lord Kilbracken the honour of being the first man to complete this half-way-round-the-world overland journey since the war.

He described the performance of the Oxford, loaned by the Nuffield Organization, as "consistently outstanding and typifying solid British workmanship".

Lord Kilbracken began the journey as John Godley, Sunday newspaper reporter, and through the death of his father a short time ago he succeeded to the peerage.

His great-grandfather founded Christchurch 100 years ago, and he was invited by the New Zealand Government to represent the family at the centenary commemoration.

The drive has covered every conceivable type of terrain, in all types of climate, including primitive roads in "iron curtain" countries and severe desert conditions.

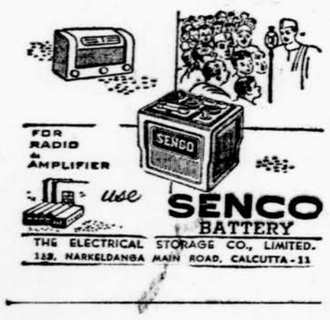
PEARSON'S CHRISTMAS

OTTAWA: Mr. Lester Pearson, Canada's External Affairs Minister, indicated last night he did not expect to spend Christmas in Peking.

He told a reporter after a Cabinet meeting that he planned to stay in Ottawa over the Christmas holiday. But, he added, he was ready to go back to United Nations headquarters at any time if his services were needed by the Cease-Fire Committee on Korea.

He was asked if his plans meant there was little hope that the Chinese Communists would take up the Committee's offer to go to Peking for discussions.

Mr. Pearson did not reply.



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F. B. I. IN AMERICA HAS BECOME GESTAPO

U.S. Lawyer Exposes Work Of Organisation

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Dec. 21.

REPORTS from New York show that the publication of the "Federal Bureau of Investigation" by American lawyer Max Lowenthal has caused a sensation.

The revelations made in the book, if true, must cause serious concern. If the alleged abuses are unremoved FBI may well become another "Gestapo."

Lowenthall describes the 45 years in which the FBI, the powerful security organisation, responsible for arrests of thousands of people, grew up from a department of a few private detectives. In 1905 American Congress refused to permit the Attorney General to set up a federal law enforcement agency. Undaunted, the Attorney General, it is said, hired his own detectives. When Congress refused to grant none for the functioning of sleuths, he dealt directly with the Treasury and obtained later reluctant approval of Congress. A guarantee was given that the FBI will not be used for political purposes. But one of the first things the Bureau did was to investigate the affairs of those who had opposed the setting up of the Bureau. Since then, the FBI has grown into a vast political machine says Lowenthal. On its files are fingerprints of nearly 120,000,000 persons. The Bureau has also dossiers of every well-known American personality and records of every, radical, Socialist and Communist.

SHOCKING

During the Copton spy trial in America the defence asked for certain secret documents in the hands of the FBI. The FBI refused on grounds of internal security. But the Judge ruled that the documents must be produced. For he first time, says Lowenthal, the nation was given the opportunity to find out what sort of information was being collected by the country's top-rank detectives. It was disclosed that the information regarded as top secrets, was a confidential report of an agent who had been told by an informant what he, in turn was told, by his child that he had seen a neighbour going about undressed in his own house. Another top secret document was a pamphlet picked up by an agent in a street, giving the names of speakers at a public meeting.

During recent investigation into Left wing leanings of a newspaper proprietor it was disclosed that the chief investigator in the case was an ex-convict and his assistant a former prison reformer. The FBI justified the appointment on the ground that "these men make the best detectives."

During the first world war the organisation declared war on draft dodgers. Whole cities were raided and about 200,000 persons held in detention without trial. Later it was proved that 190 cases in every 200 were due to mistakes.

GESTAPO

In 1940 the FBI raided the homes of those who had raised volunteers for Spanish civil war some years earlier. Commenting on the methods of FBI the Milwaukee Journal observed that the impression created was that the FBI had become a Gestapo that could haul up citizens off to prison.

Between the wars the FBI created a general Intelligence Service to investigate opinion. The Senators were told that the organisation was proving opinions to "save Capitalism from Socialists."

During the last war the FBI concentrated on spies and saboteurs. After the war came the task of protecting Atomic secrets. The FBI is said to have access to 20,000 banks with staffs trained to inform them of clients and their accounts. There is now a special branch that checks up workers for firms engaged in production of arms.

An American professor, whose name appeared on FBI records during the recent investigation into beliefs, said "If this kind of enquiry is permitted, there is the deepest kind of danger to freedom of thought and freedom of speech in the United States."

ADMIT ASIATIC IMMIGRANTS

Suggestion To U. S

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. William P. Toller, Chancellor of Syracuse University has called for the admission of 50 million Asiatic and European immigrants during the next decade as "a new demonstration of the dynamics of democracy."

Mr. Toller in an address to the University of Minnesota proposed the wave of immigration as part of the answer to the nation's man-power situation.

'QUAKE ROCKS CHILE

SANTIAGO, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): A strong earthquake seriously damaged buildings in the province of Coquimbo, Northern Chile, yesterday There were no casualties.

Main damage was in the city of La Serena.

Iraqi Queen Dead

BAGHDAD, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter):—The Iraqi royal family will go into mourning for six months for Queen Aliyah, who died yesterday aged thirty-eight after four months illness.

Mr. V. B. Raju, Hyderabad Minister for Labour and Industries, told a press conference at Hyderabad on Friday that during the last six months the state government had taken various steps to improve the lot of the labourers engaged in various establishments and branches of industries in spite of the serious financial difficulties of the government.

STRIDES IN INDIAN JOURNALISM

LONDON, Dec. 22 (PTI): Opening the new London offices of the Hindusthan Standard, Desh, and Ananda Bazar Patrika here yesterday, the High Commissioner for India, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, said they were assisting in the progress of Indian journalism and proclaiming to the people of Britain that Indian journalism was making vast strides.

The High Commissioner referred to the part Bengal had played in the cultural and literary history of India and also to the sufferings and sacrifices which the state had experienced in recent times.

Dr. Tarapade Basu is the London represnetative of the three newspapers.

GAMBLING ON THE INCREASE IN U. K.

London Vicar's Report

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 21: "England today is swamped by gambling", said Mr. Cuthbert, a London vicar and a member of the Social and Industrial Commission which recently presented report on the ethics of gambling to Church of England.

Mr. Cuthbert, at a public meeting said that when he was a child England was a drunken country. It was changed by people who brought in licensing laws. Something should be done to check the gambling scourge.

The Committee on gambling was not unanimous. Some members thought gambling in itself in certain circumstances was not wrong, while others were convinced that all gambling was an evil.

U.N. To Shift To Manhattan In January

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 22, (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations is officially moving its headquarters to the new Manhattan skyscraper in the first week in January although conference meetings will still be held here for another three or four months.

The official address will be "United Nations, New York".

DISTRICT NEWS

SATARA: Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh, M. P. accompanied by his wife, visited the local Rayat Shikshan Sanstha and discussed the current educational problems with the members of the staff of the Shivaji College. Shri Punjabrao Deshmukh congratulated Karmvir Shri Bhaurao Patil, the founder of the Society upon his admirable service in the sphere of education of the masses.

ELECTRIC STRIKE

PALGHAR: The chances of an amicable settlement in the present dispute between the Electric Supply Company and the consumers have become remote as the Company is resolute in its decision to fix the rate as As. 12 per unit, and has started to remove the metres from the houses of those who had participated in the public boycott movement. The movement has continued for the past two months, and the consumers also are determined in their stand.

BEEF PREPARED

PHALTAN: "The several Mangs—the residents of Dari Badachi, a near by village, unable to get adequate food-grains in the local Rations Shops, had to kill an old ox which they had bought for Rs. 12/- that were collected from all of them". This was disclosed by one Shri Mane, a resident of the village, who while searching for his lost buffalo happened to see the slaughter of the ox.

MARKETS OPEN

AHMEDABAD: After a lapse of one-and-half months due to the strike of the Maskati Mahajan, the cloth-markets have resumed their transaction. Abnormal changes in the prices were noticeable when the poplin and shirting of fine quality were sold at a rate increased cent per cent. The foot-path merchants have also as a consequence of this, have considerably raised their prices.

MILL WORKERS' SUIT

SHOLAPUR: The workers of the Lokmanya Mills, Barsi have filed a suit in the Labour Court against the Management under article 107 of the Bombay Industrial Relations Act, on a charge of violating the standing order. The local Socialists have offered their full support to the workers in this connection and Shri Y. D. Joshi will appear for them in the Court.

BARODA, Dec. 22 (H.S.): To commemorate Late Khansaheb Faiyaz Khan, the Prince of Music, the authorities of the Baroda Museum have decided, to preserve the dress of the departed artist, which he generally put on, on the occasions of his superb musical performances.

PRESSES & SALES TAX

NAGPUR, Dec. 22, (H.S.): The Government of M.P. have directed the Sales Tax Department not to tax the total bills of the printing presses. The Government has decided to treat the presses as dealers so far as paper is concerned; and have further decided to treat the cost of services rendered tax-free.

In their instructions to all the Officers, the Sales Tax Commissioner has directed that where the cost of paper and cost of services have been shown separately by the printing presses in their bills, they should be assessed only on the value of paper shown in the bills, and the cost of services should be tax-free.

It may be recalled that a deputation on behalf of the Nagpur Mudrak Sangh had waited upon the Chief Minister, Sri. R. S. Shukla seeking certain clarifications and modifications in the operation of the Sales Tax Act as applied to presses. The above directive is a direct result of the above deputation.

DACOIT GANG ESCAPES

BELGAUM, Dec. 22, (H.S.): Yamanya Belagali, a notorious dacoit who had played havoc in the districts of Belgaum and Bijapur, threw dust in the eyes of the police patrol and escaped with his ten associates, from the Mudhol sub-jail, on December 20 at dead of night. The D.S.P. of Belgaum immediately went to Mudhol and sent police-squads all over the district.

The convicts were brought to Mudhol to attend a criminal case before the R.M., it is stated, when one of the culprits pretended to ease himself and went out. Posing himself to be bitten by a scorpion, he made an alarm to distract the attention of the police guards. Taking advantage of this situation his other associates assaulted the police stationed at the custody and snatched their rifles, arms and ammunition and made good their escape.

Great panic prevails among the people of this district as well as the Bijapur district, whose memories of the terrible atrocities by the armed gang of Yamanya are still fresh. He was arrested in 1948 with tremendous risk at Zunzurwadi by the then D.S.P. Sri S. P. Nazimuddin.

CATTLE OFFERING

NARSINHPUR (M.P.), Dec. 22, (H.S.): Small-pox epidemic has played havoc in the Kandeli area, for the last month. In spite of the constant precaution taken by the local Municipality, the epidemic has not subsided. The superstitious people have started the sacrifice of cattle to pacify the wrath of the Goddess. A large number of cattle—even larger than the victims of small-pox—are daily sacrificed at the altar of the Goddess.

USE OF MAHABHARAT

POONA, Dec. 22, (H.S.): Dr. M. R. Jaykar presided over the select gathering in the Tilak Smarak Mandir assembled for the publication of a volume on the philosophy of Bhishma in the last part of the Mahabharat, edited by Dr. Belvalkar, the veteran Sanskrit scholar. Dr. Jaykar stressed the need of the study of the Mahabharat and said: "The Mahabharat even today, like the beacon light, would guide the administrators of this country in all the problems that confront the rulers. The human mind, let it be borne in mind, never changes with the changed times".

MILLOWNER ARRESTED

HYDERABAD, Dec. 22, (H.S.): Sri Rangam Raghayya, a well-known millowner of Mahboobabad has been arrested by the local police for alleged blackmarketing and sent to the Warangal Prison for detention. This has caused great sensation in the public here.

REDS RANSACK HOUSES

WARANGAL, Dec. 22, (H.S.): An armed gang of persons described as Communists entered the village of Kataapad, three days ago and ransacked six houses, according to the reports received here. A villager of high social position fell a victim to the bullets of the 'Reds', it is stated. The police, when informed of the incident rushed to the village and have started investigation.

BUS ACCIDENT

SINNAR, Dec. 22, (H.S.): Four persons were seriously injured in a grave accident that took place at a distance of half a mile from Sinnar, when a bus of Laxmi Motor Service running from Nasik to Nagar, suddenly dashed and collapsed, as the driver made a futile attempt to save the life of a calf. The injured passengers were immediately removed to the Nasik Civil Hospital.

HALOL SCARCITY

GODHRA, Dec. 22, (H.S.): The stocks of foodgrains in the godowns of Halol are reported to have depleted and the Sale Purchase Union have closed the rural ration shops. The local Congress Committee telegraphically reported the precarious food situation to the Collector of Godhra and demanded immediate measures to be taken for adequate food supply. The Collector has immediately issued the orders for more supply of rice for Halol, it it learnt.

Madhya Pradesh Warns

NAGPUR, Dec. 21 (PTI): The Madhya Pradesh Government today warned the people that the state stood "in grave danger of cholera epidemic, as an aftermath of the mass hysteria which led to people flocking to Angul."

A press note issued this evening recorded two hundred imported cases with fifty deaths at Raipur, 15 cases and three deaths at Bilaspur and four cases and one death at Raigarh, all on the main Calcutta-Nagpur line (Raipur is a railway junction connecting Orissa)

The press note said that the Orissa Government were taking measures for mass evacuation of visitors by special trains. A large number of people returning to Madhya Pradesh from Angul were infected with cholera.

DOOR STILL OPEN FOR TALKS ON KOREA

China's Reply To U. N. Cease-Fire Body Awaited

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 21 (PTI).

WITH the departure of Mr. Wu Hsiu-chuan and his delegation back to Peking, the question widely discussed here is: does it mean the end of the peace move initiated by the United Nations and the prospect of extended war in the Far East. cables D. P. Wagle, P.T.I. Correspondent.

Best informed opinion, including that of United Nations officials and diplomats who talked with Mr. Wu, is that until a reply is received from Chou En-lai to the Cease-fire Commission's communication of December 12, the door for negotiations remains open.

No United Nations diplomat had greater contact with Mr. Wu during the latter's visit here than Mr. B. N. Rau of India. Those who followed the Wu-Rau talks expressed the belief that Wu might have been called back to Peking because Chou En-lai wanted to consult him before replying to the approach made to him by the United Nations for the peaceful settlement of Far Eastern questions, including Korea.

Grounds for such belief were said to be: Wu told Mr. B. N. Rau he "hoped to see" him again, his going did not mean he would not come back and that "if necessary" he would come back. Some of these sentiments were regarded in knowledgeable quarters as more than formal courtesies usual at a time of leave-taking.

THE CLIMAX

Others pointed out that the cease-fire negotiations reached a climax at the very moment when the "integrated western defence" against international communism was making decisions of far-reaching significance to which Communist China could not remain blind. Even if Communist China wished to utilise the United Nations for a peaceful settlement of its problems, these sources said, it would be understandable for Peking to seek first-hand knowledge of what was going on at the hub of diplamatic world—Lake Success and Washington.

Mr. Wu as the military and political expert who has had the advantage of talks with various delegates including M. Vyshinsky and M. Malik and watched the entire American scene, would give such guidance if Peking desired it, these sources said. Another factor stressed by many delegates was that the Assembly's Political Committee had recessed for the unusually lengthy period of 15 days—it being not expected to meet until January 3—meanwhile shelving all inflammatory debates.

Mr. Wu is expected to reach Peking about December 25 which would leave about eight days for consultations. Meanwhile the Cease-fire Commission is not expected to meet again until a reply from Peking, one way or the other, is received Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian member of the Commission, has gone to Canada for the holidays, but has decided to come back quickly if developments require.

RED CHINA'S RETORT

No Export Of Goods To America

HONG KONG, December 22 (PTI): The Chinese Communist authorities last night "temporarily" suspended all import permits for goods of American and Japanese origin, according to radio messages received by Chinese merchants with offices on the mainland.

This followed an earlier decision not to grant export licences for goods destined for the United States which affected large pending shipments of wood oil.

Merchants here understood that pending the adoption of an overall trading policy by Peking, goods of European and Australian origin were unaffected.

Cholera has taken a toll of 94 lives and small-pox 16 in parts of South Malabar from November 26 to December 13, according to figures released here yesterday.

Mass innoculations have been undertaken.

TURKEY ISSUES NEW STAMP

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 21—The Turkish Post Office has issued three new stamps, 20-kurus blue, 40-kurus brown and 60-kurus blue and purple. The new issues show an early airplane flight in Turkey, a plane flying high in mountains, and a modern passenger plane over Istanbul and the Bosphorous. The new issue is intended to mark the International Civil Aviation Conference which recently met in Istanbul.

The Post Office proposes to issue a new set to mark the 1000th anniversary of the death of Farabi, the Turkish philosopher, and one to mark the Third Congress of Turkish Co-operative Societies.

Two further sets will be issued early next year to mark the work of settling the immigrants from Bulgaria and the fight of Turkish brigade in Korea.

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BETTY FARIAS AND FERREIRA HEADING FOR TRIPLE CROWN

R. Cohen Wins H'Cap Billiards

BOMBAY, Friday.

R. A. Cohen with a handicap of —400 reproduced splendid form to claim the Byculla Y.M.C.A. Handicap Billiards Tournament by beating B. R. Hollinson (450) by 500 points to 396 in a game that lasted 3 hours and forty minutes.

The winner compiled breaks of 39, 30, 30, and 30 while Hollinson made breaks of 30, 39, 51, 54, and 47.

The prize for the highest break—216, was awarded to Wilson Jones.

'VARSITY ATHLETICS WON BY MADRAS

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 22 (PTI): Madras annexed the Inter-Varsity team championship by 51 points, Ceylon being second with 29-1/2 and Punjab third with 29 in the Inter Universities Sports Meet which concluded here today.

Bombay annexed the Women's championship with 54 points other teams which qualified being Punjab 23 points, and Nagpur 3 points.

Two universities records were established by Sati Ghosh (Utkal) and W. May (Ceylon) in 100 metres—and 400 metres hurdles respectively and Ivon Jacob (Madras) equalled the previous record in 400 metres dash.

Sati Ghosh (Utkal) took a perfect start and beat the second best Pullin Paw (Mysore) by at least a yard at the winning post in the 100 metres dash.

Another record was established by W. May (Ceylon) who did the 400 metres hurdles in 57.2 seconds beating the previous record of 58.3 seconds established by V. Vazander of Bombay.

In 400 metres race Ivon Jacob (Madras) equalled the previous record of 50.8 seconds of H. Krishna Bhatia of Punjab.

HYDERABAD MAKE A GOOD START

Ranji Trophy Cricket

NAGPUR, Dec. 22, (PTI): Hyderabad made 97 for the loss of three wickets at close of play in reply to the Madhya Pradesh's first innings total of 151 in the first day's play of the four-day Ranji Trophy match which began here this morning.

The scores were:—

MADHYA PRADESH XI (first innings) 151, (Thakkur 37, Narsimhan 23; Bhoopati 4 for 63.)

HYDERABAD (first innings) for 3 wkts. 37.

Bombay Players Sweep The Boards At Nagpur

NAGPUR, Dec. 22 (PTI)

HENRY Ferreira and Miss Betty Farias won the mixed doubles title in the All-Bombay final of the All-India Badminton Championships here today beating Devinder Mohan and Miss Sindhu Phansalkar by 17-16 and 15-7.

Miss B. Farias annexed the women's singles championship by defeating Miss Apte (Maharashtra) by 11/0 and 11/2.

R. Wattal (Uttar Pradesh) emerged as the junior singles (boys) champion beating K. Tapadia (Madhya Pradesh) by 15/7 and 15/9.

Devinder Mohan and Henry Ferreira (Bombay) today beat the holders D. G. Mugwe and B. V. Ullal (Bombay) in the semi-final of men's doubles in the All-India Badminton Championships in a well-contested match of three by 15/17, 15/7 and 15/11.

Gur Prasad (East Punjab) and Chiranjit (Delhi) beat Bombay's G. P. Shirke and R. A. Dongre in the lower-half semi-final of men's doubles by 15/7 and 15/9.

Devinder Mohan and H. Ferreira will meet Gur Prasad and Chiranjit in the final of this event tomorrow.

NATIONAL TENNIS COMMENCES

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22 (PTI).

Thirteen men's singles first round matches were decided today the opening day of the National Lawn Tennis Championships at the South Club:

Following are the results: Tloczynski (Great Britain) beat M. Cariapa 6 0, 6/1, 6/4. Rajen Banerjee beat S. Barucha 6/3, 6 3, 2/6. Narendra Nath beat H. P. Fanner 6/1, 6/4, 3 0. Adiph Mukherjee beat S. Bose 6/1, 6 1, 6/2. S. C. Misra beat B. N. Dey 6 2, 6/4, 6/4. H. G. Dutt beat S. N. Deb (jr.) 6/3, 6 3, 6/1. S. Davidson (Sweden) beat J. N. Choudhury 3/2, 6/2, 6/0 D. K. Bose beat Chaipati Rao 6 0 6/2, 6 1 Shewaramani beat Niaz Khan 6/1, 6/2, 6 4. Shail Kumar beat B.K. Ghose 3/6, 6 3, 6/3, 6/2. J. Withnell beat M. Young 6 0, 6/2, 3/6, 6/1. S.N. Raina beat P. Bose 6/4, 6/0, 6/8, 6/2. J. Charanjiva beat S. Arakie 6/3,6 0, 6/4. P. K. Sen vs R. Lakshman 2 sets each (match unfinished due to insufficient light).

Acceptances For Madras Races

MADRAS, Dec. 22 (PTI): The following are Acceptances for Madras races, December Meeting, Fourth Day, Sunday, 24th December 1950:—

THE BHAVANI PLATE—6 Furls.

Aerex 9-4, Persian Princess 9-2, Night Queen 9-1, Pamero 7-10, Fidelia 7-10, Dominic's Lady 7-10, Sunny 7-10, Rasili 7-6.

THE GODAVERY PLATE—7F.

Royal Express 9-4, Wing Commander 9-2, Lizalee 9-0, Jadugar 8-12, Shah Nawaz 8-12, King of Diamonds 8-12, Lady Doctor 8-11, Poppet 8-11, Lean Note 7-10, Princess Padma 7-10, Windsor Lass 7-8.

THE STEWARDS CUP—7F.

Full House 9-4, Flotilla 8-12, Ellamenco 8-10, Bullrich 8-7, Sinister 8-6, Raj Doot 8-0, Blue Train 7-10, Nettled

THE KASHMIR PLATE—Div. I 6F.

7-8, Roscoe 7-8.

THE AGRA PLATE—1-1/4 Miles

Favourite 9-4, Bonzo 9-3, The Marine 9-2, My Baby 9-2, Maharukh 8-10, Pamir 7-13, Kalyan 7-12, Moon Dust 7-9, Sugar Palm 7-5, Babul 7-5.

THE KASHMIR PLATE D iv. II 6 F.

Mr. Rambler 9-4, Moon Maiden 9-3, Gipsy Queen 9-2, Big hearted 8-12, Killarney 8-11, Motkin 8-9, Gipsy Maid 8-8, Blue Flame 8-0, Pretty Fast 8-0, Warrior Princess 8-0, Omalka 8-0, Quaker Oats 8-0, Tribhuvan 7-4.

THE KASHMIR PLATE—6 F.

Atomic 9-4, Patakha 9-3, Miss Prestige 9-2, Basilian 9-1, Carpala 8-12, Wedding Day 8-11, Penny Novel 8-9, Just It 8-8, Princess of Hindustan 8-4, Fair Gold 8-2, The Angel 7-12, Widad 7-12.

THE KUNIGAL PLATE—(1 mile 1 F.)

Naga Kanya 9-7, Sankey 9-3, Tawaqul 9-1, Black and White 8-8, Florida 8-7, Lily of the Valley 8-2, Gipsy Lore 8-1, Crescendo 8-0, Oscar 7-13, Jai Malhar 7-9, Pop 7-4.

DELHI UNIVERSITY STILL IN THE LEAD

LUCKNOW, Dec. 22 (PTI).

East Punjab with 6 wickets in hand at the close of the second days play require exactly 100 runs more to have a lead in the first innings against Delhi University who were all out for 277 runs in the final of the North-Zone Inter-Varsity Cricket Tournament for the Rohinton Baria Trophy.

Delhi who had piled up 234 runs for the loss of seven wickets yesterday added 43 runs today to their overnight total when the remaining batsmen were out within an hour's play.

East Punjab scored 178 runs at the close requiring 100 runs more to have a lead in the first innings with one day more left for play.

Boxer 'Al West' Succumbs

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Al 'sonny boy' West 21-year old Washington boxer died in hospital last night, 21 hours after he was knocked out by Percy Bassett of Philadelphia.

Two brain operations failed to save the life of the negro light weight, who was knocked out in the seventh round at St. Nicholas Arena on Wednesday night. He died after having been kept alive for several hours by artificial respiration.

Dr. Vincent Nardicco, State Athletic Commission physician, said West apparently had died of an intra cerebral haemorrhage and cerebral concussion caused when his head hit the floor of the ring in falling.

'Varsities XI In A Drawn Game

ROY AND IRANI PLAY MAGNIFICENTLY

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22 (PTI): After failing to avert the follow on by just five runs in spite of a great innings of 93 by Gopinath of Madras, the Indian Universities XI did well with the bat in their second venture to score 205 with half the side intact and thus hold the Commonwealth Tourists at a draw here today.

The defiant Gopinath-Alikhan partnership for the seventh wicket was broken this morning after wiping off 17 of 39 runs required to avoid the follow on. But the remaining three wickets crumbled for the addition of 17 runs and the Varsities were all out for 195.

Off spinner Dovey was the author of this debacle, his judicious mixture of off breaks and top spinners claiming the wickets of Gopinath, Alikhan and Misra in 5 overs for 10 runs.

Going for their second venture 154 runs behind, the Varsities made another bad start losing Patankar at 18. But a grim 102-run partnership lasting 114 minutes between skipper Irani and Roy, both of whom passed the half century mark, stressed the side almost clear of troubles.

Roy, who was the sounder of the two, collected 52 and Irani, who seemed devoid of strokes, plodded on to a valuable 62. When Irani was out the Varsities had wiped off the first innings deficit.

SCORE BOARD

COMMONWEALTH XI (Ist Innings) for 9 dec.	349
INDIAN 'VARSITIES' XI (1st Innings)	195

INDIAN UNIVERSITIES XI

(Second Innings)

B. R. Irani lbw Dovey	62
C.T. Patankar c Grieves b Worrell	15
P. Roy c and b Ikin	52
Om Prakash run out	1
C.D. Gopinath c Grieves b Ikin	32
L.T. Adishesh not out	8
D.H. Shodhan not out	8
Extras	27
Total (for 5 wkts:.)	205

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. Shackleton	11	3	22	0
F.M Worrell	15	8	17	1
R.R. Dovey	18	3	38	1
K.T. Ramadhin	11	4	16	0
J.T. Ikin	23	3	56	2
K. Grieves	9	2	23	0
W.H.H. Sutcliffe	3	1	16	0

INDEPENDENCE & SAMURAI HAVE EXCELLENT CHANCES

By Our Racing Correspondent

BOMBAY, Saturday.

THE following are the probable runners with their jockeys and my selections for the Sixth Day of the Bombay Winter Races which will be held this afternoon:-

1st Race 1-30 p.m.

THE CHOWPATTY PLATE
Distance—5 Furlongs

Winner, Rs. 4,200; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd, Rs. 500.

Bharati (—)	..	8 7
God's Gift (Lal)	..	8 7
Paras Mani (Antoo)	..	8 7
Maharaj Kumari (Kheem singh)	..	8 7
Bright Faith (Argade)	..	8 7
Haseen (Medhe)	..	8 7
Dev Kanya (Damodar)	..	8 7
Sushama (Snaith)	..	8 7
Eastern Queen (Gilmore)	..	8 7
Free Port (Bhosle)	..	8 7
Oomph (Amir Ahmed)	..	8 7
Dutch Maid (Shivanna)	..	8 7

MAHARAJ KUMARI — Win
BHARATI — Next Best
IF AB. HASEEN

2nd Race 2-00 p.m.

THE SHAHPUR PLATE—Div. I
Distance—1 Mile

Winner, Rs. 4,200; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd, Rs. 500.

To be ridden with allowances by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 20 or more winners.

Thunderer (Mohmad Ali)	..	9 2
Red Label (—)	..	9 1
London Tan (Dinkar)	..	8 8
Star of Iran (Pierce)	..	8 8
Dark Roy (Surve)	..	8 7
Masked Pleasure (Gauskhan)	..	8 6
Rafat (—)	..	8 3
Poldo (Khan)	..	8 1

MASKED PLEASURE — Win
STAR OF IRAN — Next Best

3rd Race 2-30 p.m.

THE SHAHPUR PLATE—Div. III
Distance —1 Mile

Winner, Rs. 4,000; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd, Rs. 500.

To be ridden by Indian, Half and App. jockeys with allowances.

V. Day (Mullsingh)	..	9 3
Chrissie Darling (Rajoo)	..	9 2
Morning (Devaney)	..	9 2
Won Thousand (Amir Ahmed)		8 13
Indian Port (P. Khade)	..	8 13
Sunlight (Pierce)	..	8 11
Titina (I. Khan)	..	8 10
Ijjat (Aurobinda)	..	8 7
Gay Boy (Jagdish)	..	8 4
Brilliant Sunshine (Purtu S.)		8 4
Indian Gem (Z.K. Khan)	..	8 3
Ajinkya Tara II (Shiba)	..	8 0
Cordial (Shivanna)	..	7 12
King's Pleasure (—)	..	7 12
Pyare Saheb (Gauskhan)	..	7 4
Happiness (J. Bhosle)	..	7 0
Kiss Miss (Mahomedalli)	..	7 0

WON THOUSAND — Win
INDIAN PORT — Next Best

4th Race 3-00 p.m.

THE DHARAVI PLATE—Div. I
Distance—6 Furlongs

Winner, Rs. 4,200; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd Rs. 500.

To ridden by Indian, Half and App Jockeys with allowances.

Incitatus (Medhe)	..	9 0
Assault (Kheemsingh)	..	9 0
Dominion (—)	..	9 0
Yuvaraj (Damodar)	..	9 0
Bright Prince (Amir Ahmed)		9 0
Starshell (Purtu S.)	..	9 0
Sajan (Hanuman S.)	..	9 0
Krishnakamal (Kasbekar)	..	8 11
Shandana (P. Khade)	..	8 11
Lady Rita (Deshmukh)	..	8 11

ASSAULT — Win
STAR SHELL — Next Best
IF AB. SAJAN

5th Race 3-30 p.m.

THE DHARAVI PLATE
Distance—6 Furlongs

Winner, Rs. 4,000; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd Rs. 500.

Glamour Boy (Kheemsingh)	9	0
Rabalto (P. Khade)	.. 9	0
Othello (Damodar)	.. 9	0
Al Mohalab (Burn)	.. 9	0
Choppy (Cunningham)	.. 9	0
Mexico (—)	.. 8	11
Ramola (Roberts)	.. 8	11
Diamond Cave (—)	.. 8	11
Queen of Kandy (Whiteside)	8	11
Cintra (Aurobinda)	.. 8	11
Chandralekha (Gilmore)	.. 8	11
Again & Again (Amir Ahmed)	8	11

GLAMOUR BOY — Win
QUEEN OF KANDY — Next Best
IF AB. AL MOHALAB

6th Race 4-00 p.m.

THE MAHIM PLATE—Div. II
Distance—1 Mile 1 Furlong.

Winner, Rs. 4,400; 2nd, Rs. 1,000; 3rd, Rs 700.

To be ridden by Indian, Half & App. Jockeys with allowances.

Pessu Pasha (—)	..	9 2
Kotidhwaj (Damodar)	..	8 12
Gold Street (P. Khade)	..	8 11
Greek Star (Amir Ahmed)	..	8 10
Bihari (J. Bhosle)	..	8 8
Lady Cleopatra (Antoo)	..	8 5
Makarpura (Argade)	..	8 5
Perseus (—)	..	8 4
D. Day (Rajoo)	..	8 2
Dominate (Gauskhan)	..	8 2
Golden Square (—)	..	8 1
Fowzia (Z.K. Khan)	..	8 0
Passing Bell (Khalil, B.)	..	7 13
Nasrullah (Medhe)	..	7 12
Gipsy Bill (Purtu S.)	..	7 11
King's Star (Shivanna)	..	7 8

GOLD STREET — Win
GREEK STAR — Next Best
IF AB. FOWZIA

7th Race 4-30 p.m.

THE DAHISAR PLATE
Distance—6 Furlongs

Winner, Rs. 5,000; 2nd, Rs. 1,200; 3rd, Rs. 800.

Independence (Burn)	..	9 4
Viveca (J. Bhosle)	..	9 2
Shubh Laxmi (Gilmore)	..	9 2
Dil-Ki-Bat (Kheemsingh)		8 10
Manisha (Amir Ahmed)	..	8 9
Gay Pilot (Medhe)	..	8 7
Tomcat (Damodar)	..	8 2
Sweetie Shah (Antoo)	..	7 11
Wahdina (Devaney,O.)	..	7 11
Saita (—)	..	7 11
Bhopal Star (Snaith)	..	7 6

INDEPENDENCE — Win
DIL-KI-BAT — Next Best
IF AB. WAHADINA

8th Race 5-00 p.m.

THE SHAHPUR PLATE—Div. II
Distance—1 Mile

Winner, Rs. 4,000; 2nd, Rs. 900; 3rd, Rs. 500.

Steve (Purtu S.)	..	9 2
Imroz (—)	..	9 2
Mah-I-Nau (Z. K. Khan)	..	9 1
Loyal Prince (P. Khade)	..	9 0
Chetna (Gilmore)	..	9 0
Nature Boy (Cunningham)		8 13
Botticelli (Kheemsingh)	..	8 12
Lalaji (Dhanawade)	..	8 10
Army and Navy (—)	..	8 10
Firdaussi (Roberts)	..	8 9
Lake Success (Amir Ahmed)		8 8
Reshone (Damodar)	..	8 8
Pick Pocket (—)	..	8 5
Desert Hawk (Kadam)	..	8 2
Solar Song (Antoo)	..	8 1
Chhoti Begum (Whiteside)		8 1

IMROZ — Win
LOYAL PRINCE — Next Best

9th Race 5-30 p.m.

THE MAHIM PLATE—Div. I
Distance—1 Mile 1 Furlong

Winner, Rs. 4,750; 2nd, Rs. 1,000; 3rd, Rs. 700.

Panditji (Chavan)	..	9 2
Prospero (R. Bhosle)	..	9 0
Wet Bob (Purtu S.)	..	8 11
Samurai (P. Khade)	..	8 11
Golden Orb (Burn)	..	8 11
Blue Lotus (Shivanna)	..	8 10
Desert Knight (—)	..	8 8
Modesty II (Gilmore)	..	8 8
Princessa (Whiteside)	..	8 8
Trumpeldor (—)	..	8 8

SAMURAI — Win
PRINCESSA — Next Best

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SOLAR SONG

Latest Spurts

The following spurts were noted this morning at Mahaluxmi:—

OUTER TAN

DRY DAY (Snaith) was not extended when covering three furlongs in 38 secs. Very well at the moment.

TISCO (Duffy) moved smartly over the last two in 24 secs. Should run well.

SUNDRI (Chavan) was attended by BANSIWALE when engaged over three furlongs. Timing 38 secs.

MODESTY II (Roberts) easily beat NAGARPALIKA (Kadam) when covering three furlongs in 36 secs.

PAR EXCELLENCE (Amir) moved at a fair pace over three furlongs and returned 38 secs. Likely winner.

WET BOB (Purtu) went better than STEVE (Purshottam) when travelling over four furlongs. Timing 52 secs.

TAMANNA (Roberts) was in front of FIND OUT (Kadam) when engaged in a spurt over three furlongs. He returned 38 secs.

OTHELLO (Durr) showed out from HAPPY GO LUCKY (Khade) and STRIDING EDGE (Guman) when covering three furlongs in 37 secs.

ALMOHALAB (Sumer) had easy measure of PERHAPS (Whiteside) when negotiating three furlongs in 36 secs.

STAR OF IRAN (Pierce) shaped better than PASSING BELL (R.B.) over three furlongs in 37 secs. The first named should run well.

STAR SHELL (Purtu) moved freely in front of CINTRA (Aurobinda) over three furlongs and clocked 37½ secs.

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Balam Claims Trial Stakes

CALCUTTA, Dec 22.

Balam, Champion Indian bred horse proved to be a great stayer by annexing the Calcutta Turf's classic race. —the Trial Stakes for its Bombay Owner and film magnate Mr. K. M. Mody.

The other notable feature of today's long card of nine events was the double obtained by no less than three jockeys. They are: E. Warren, Mcgaffin and peacock.

The following are the results:—

Khardah Plate (Div. II)—Six Furlongs

Oratory 8-1, E. Warron 1. Bold Guard 9-0, McGaffin 2. Diligent Lad 8-3, Cracknell 3, Bold Boy 8-3 Adley 4, Not run: Gallant Gurkha Won by 2 ls. 1/2 1, hd. Time: 1 min. 17 1/5 secs. Tote paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 24 (Win). Rs. 10, Rs. 16, Rs. 9 (Places). Winner trained by Goswell. Favourite: Diligent Lad.

Baraset Plate—Seven Furlongs

Trunk Call 8-6, E. Warren 1. Arjun 8-4, Sibrit 2. Gwen 8-3, Peacock 3. Magic Bird 8-13, McGaffin 4. Not run Portoi. Won by: 2 ls, 2 ls, 2 ls. Time: 1min. 30 secs. Tote Paid Paid (Rs. Five tote) Rs. 114 (Win). Rs. 21, Rs. 5, Rs. 9 (Places). Winner trained by Capt. Fownes. Favourite Arjun.

Bandel Plate—Seven Furlongs

Aaapke Sevame 8-0, Peacock 1. Lucrece 8-11, Stead 2. Bold Bid 8-7, J. Warren 3. Gallant Gurkha 8-0, Sibritt 4. Not run Hamley. Won by 2 ls, 2-1/2ls, 3/4 1. Time: 1 min. 30-3/5secs. Tote paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 26 (Win). Rs. 7, Rs. 14, Rs. 8 (Places). Winner trained by Major Fownes. Favourite The Little Lord.

Stewards Plate (Div. I)—Seven Furlongs

Naeem 8-4, Crocknell 1. Suntan. 7-12, Higson 2. The Little Lord Outritt 3. Wigs 8-10, McCloud 4. All ran. Won by 1-1/2 1, 2 ls, 2-1/2 ls Time: 1 min. 30 secs. Tote paid (Rs. tote): Rs. 26 (Win). Rs. 7, Rs. 14, Rs. 8 (Places). Winner trained by Major Fownes. Favourite The Little Lord.

Stewards Plate (Div. I)—Seven Furlongs

Open Arms 9-1, McGaffin 1. Gamble For Love 9-4, Kheem Singh 2. Tiller 8-12, Tiller 3. Nan Dusk 8-11, McCloud 4. Not run New India, Torchlight. Won by: 2 ls, 11, hd. Time: 1 min. 29-3/5 secs. Tote paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 34 (Win). Rs. 15, Rs. (Places). Winner trained by Bloss. Favourite Gamble For Love.

Club Plate—One Mile

Royal Boy 8-11, Percival 1. Necklace 7-8, Tomlin 2. Mike 8-12, Stead 3. Heartbreaker 8-3, McCloud 4. Not run: Royal Mist, Arjun, Egyptian Belle Won by: 5 ls, 1 ls 1-1/2 ls. Time: 1 min. 44-3/5 secs. Tote Paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 28 (Win). Rs. 8, Rs. 39, Rs. 10 (Places). Winner trained by Bloss Favourite Heartbreaker.

TRIAL STAKES—ONE MILE

Balam 9-3, Kheem Singh 1. Fair Ray 9-3, Sibritt 2. Skyward 9-3, Davis 3. Slimettee 9-3, Mulley 4. Not run: Pilot Seargent. Won by 2 ls, 5 ls 1-1/2. Time: 1 min. 39-4/5 secs. Tote paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 7 (Win). Rs. 7 Rs. 9 (Places). Winner trained by Balfour. Favourite Balam.

Anderson Plate—One Mile 3 Furlongs

Squanderer 7-10, Peacock 1. Turkestan 9-4, McCloud 2 Feetrace 8-0, Thompson 3. Pharaeh Fam 8-6, J. Warren 4. All ran. Won by: 1-1/2 ls, 1/2 1, 1/2 ls. Time: 2 min. 28-4/5 secs. Tote paid (Rs. Five tote): Rs. 44 (Win). Rs. 17, Rs. 13, Rs. 5 (Places). Winner trained by J. R. Elliot. Favourite Footrace.

Khardah Plate (Div. 1)—Six Furlongs

Jouett 9-4, McGaffin 1. Queen of Hearts 7-9, E. Warren 2. Sky Hill 7-5, Morsille 3. Hamely 8-0, Higson 4. All ran. Won by: hd, 2 ls, 2 ls. Time: 1 min. 17-1/5 secs. Tote paid (Rs Five tote): Rs. 21 (Win). Rs. 8, Rs. 12, Rs. 12 (Places). Winner trained by Archer. Favourite Queen of Hearts.

DAILY TREBLE TOTE paid: Rs. 2,991 on each of the 23 successful ticket.

BOMBAY RACES
6th Day
WINTER MEETING
SATURDAY, 23rd December
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7th Day
WINTER MEETING
SUNDAY, 24th December
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ENGLAND SHAPES WELL ON OPENING DAY

Australia Skittled For 194 In Second Test

MELBOURNE, December 22, (PTI-Reuter).

ENGLAND gave a splendid display on the opening day of the second test match here today in skittling Australia for 194—their lowest score in the series since the war.

Their previous lowest was 221 at Manchester in 1948.

The day was full of lively cricket with the English players pressing home their advantage at every opportunity.

The bowling, especially that of Alec Bedser and Trevor Bailey was the best of the tour so far and they were backed up by fielding of the highest order.

Bedser finished with four wickets for 37 and Bailey 4 for 40.

Bedser very nearly accomplished the hattrick in the closing minutes of the day. He took the wickets of Ian Johnson and Bill Johnston with successive balls, but Jack Iverson, last man prevented the feat.

The score was taken to 192 for seven but the last four wickets fell within the space of two runs. The last five wickets had fallen for seventeen runs.

England received a setback before the start when it was announced that Denis Compton who has been having trouble with his injured knee could not play. His place was taken by Gilbert Parkhouse, who like Brian Close was playing for the first time against Australia. John Warr was omitted from the original twelve. Australia made Burke twelfth man.

England have not won a test against Australia since 1938 at the oval and their last victory at Melbourne was during the 1928-29

SCORE BOARD

AUSTRALIA (First Innings):

K. Archer c Bedser b Bailey	26
Morris c Hutton b Bedser	2
N. Harvey c Evans b Bedser	42
Miller lbw Brown	18
A. L. Hasset b Bailey	52
S. Loxton c Evans b Close	32
R. Lindwall lbw Bailey	8
D. Tallen notout	7
Johnson c Parkhouse b Bedser	0
W. Johnston c Hutton b Bedser	0
J. Iverson b Bailey	1
Extras	6
Total	194

BODLING ANALYSIS:

	O	M	R	W
Bedser	19	3	37	4
Bailey	17.1	5	40	4
Close	6	1	30	1
Brown	9	0	28	1
Wright	8	0	63	0

XAVIER'S 'A' MAKE STEADY PROGRESS

BOMBAY, Friday.

St. Xavier's College "A" continued to make steady progress in the Senior Hockey League, beating Goan Sports by two goals to nil this evening at the Cooperage where the teams played to music provided by the festive Christmas mood of the W. I. F. A. holding their annual Christmas tree. Later G.I.P. Rly 'A' got the better of Young Sports by three goals to one.

St. Xavier's were only able to translate their chances into goals in the last ten minutes of play when Gerry Williams and D. Vaz scored.

Enjoying a better share of the exchanges due to all-round superiority G.I.P. Railway found themselves well opposed by Young Sports "A". They, however, scored twice in the penalty period through Kishen and Fernandes and in the succeeding period Kishen completed his sides tally after Jadnav had reduced the margin.

DURAND CUP FOOTBALL

NEW DELHI, December 22.

Calcutta Champions, East Bengal overwhelmed President's Estate by three goals to nil today in the first round of the Durand Football Tournament.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Cooperage

3-45 p.m. Dockyard 'A' vs. "Times of India" 'A'.

4-50 p.m. B.B. and C.I. 'A' vs. Bombay City (Senior Division.)

CRICKET

Brabourne Stadium

10-30 a.m. Bombay vs. Maharashtra (Ranji Trophy).

Phadkar And Modi In Irresistible Form

BOMBAY SCORES 324 FOR 5 AGAINST MAHARASHTRA

BOMBAY, Friday.

SPLENDID batting by the Indian test players Phadkar and Rusi Modi, who scored an unbeaten 114 and 76 respectively, enabled Bombay to put up the score of 324 runs for the loss of half its side on the opening day of their first round match in the Ranji Trophy against Maharashtra which commenced today at the Brabourne Stadium.

Phadkar winning the toss elected to bat on ai easw paced wicket. India's test captain Vijay Merchant, who was down with an attack of influenza did not play and his place was taken by R.R. Chandorkar.

Modi, who came in at the fall of the first wicket played a delightful game, and was seen in of his best forms. Playing his usual free game, Modi hit no less than eight fours in his 117 minutes stay at the wickets, during which he rattled up 76 runs. With Mantri, who opened Bombay innings. Modi added 97 runs for the second wicket, and nullified the initial advantage which the Maharashtra team had, when they struck the first blow very early in the innings—dismissing Chandorkar with only nine runs on the board.

Skipper Phadkar was in irresistible form and was unbeaten with a century to his credit. With Kenny he has so far added 111 runs for the unbroken sixth wicket. Phadkar scored his 100 in 180 minutes, but his last fifty runs occupied him only 44 minutes.

Kenny, who had remained unbeaten with 38 runs at the end of the day, had the distinction of scoring six runs off a stroke, which is probably a record, when the fact is taken into consideration that they were run without the aid of any overthrow. Kenny hit a stroke through the extra-cover and the ball stopped a few inches inside the boundaryline and before Raja of Jath could send in back the batsmen had by then run six runs.

BOMBAY (1st Innings)

M.K. Mantri c Sohoni b Dhanwade	37
R.R. Chandorkar c Datar b Sohoni	3
R.S. Modi st Joshi b Chowdhury	76
D. G. Phadkar batting	114
V.L. Manjrekar c Gokhale b Rege.	35
M. M. Mohiuddin c and b Raja of Jath	13
R.B. Kenny batting	38
G.S. Ramchand, J.B. Khot, S.P. Gupte and D.T. Kotian to bat.	
Extras	8
Total (for 5 wkts.)	324

Fall of wickets: 1|9; 2|106; 3|124; 4|186; 5|213.

Bowling Analysis: S.W. Sohoni 20|5|74|1; B.B. Nimbalkar 9|0|40|0; Y.N. Ghokale 2|0|12|0; S.D. Dhanwade 24|0|69.1; Raja of Jath 24.9.53.1; D. G. Chowdhury 19|2|51|0; M.R. Rege 9|3|17|1.

The Bombay Chronicle

THE BEST WAY

The Hindu Mahasabha, declared its President Dr. N. B. Khare, will stand by the Government if a third world war breaks out. The Government might well ask to be saved from this dubious support of the most communal element in Indian public life. The Sabha President feels that the fellow communalist of his party will be a useful help to the Government in the event of external aggression or internal anarchy. Seeing that some at least of the "internal anarchy" is the result of the sectional mentality of Dr. Khare and his friends, the assurance might be taken with a pinch of salt. The fact of the matter is that the Sabhaites seeing that there is no scope in Indian political life for their mischief are trying to cash in on a meretricious turning of a new leaf. If the Mahasabha were an influence—it is not—one may regard this statement as an open invitation to the Government to launch a war. It would be strange indeed if these assertions are taken at their face value because it would mean that the public is extremely naive. After years of agitation along a particular line, is it to be expected that the Mahasabha will turn its back on the fruits just when circumstances outside their power bring them to ripeness? If this assumption is indulged in, then what has the Mahasabha been working for in the past, even the past after Independence? Even now, according to Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, the Mahasabha is trying to net in other communal bodies and to build a new political party on a "non-communal" basis. The annual session at Poona is scheduled to consider a plan for "rallying all the democratic and nationalist elements" under the Sabha flag. It does not occur to this stalwart of communal politics that democrats and nationalists will give a wide berth to any organisation which is led by men with a lifetime record of communalism. What will be achieved, if even that, is the grand mustering of all communalists of various creeds. And it is not clear what object will be served by such a move apart from adding to the political strength of the Mahasabha—a process in which it is natural for leaders of that party to be interested but which can scarcely be a thrilling prospect even for the birds for whom the net is spread. Politicians have the liberty to try anything in order to keep themselves going. But they cannot expect the public to swallow all their professions when there is so little to back them. Mr. Khare's solicitude for the Government, if war should break out, is in reality a desperate bid to reserve a place in the limelight. If the Hindu Mahasabha is really and disinterestedly interested in staving off internal anarchy, let its leaders begin forthwith by dissolving that organisation and settling down to national service in different fields for which there is ample scope. In the light of the tragic history of communalist movements in this country, the greatest single achievement one might look for is the final dissolution of all communal parties. The Hindu Mahasabha as the largest and as the organisation claiming to speak for the largest community might usefully give the lead here and then it will be the time to speak in terms of forming another national organisation.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Secretary of State Dean Acheson, returning here from the Brussels meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Council, said he thought the conference was "very successful".

Asked by newspapermen at the airport whether he thought the meeting has contributed to world peace, he replied: "This is the only way we can possibly do it."

LONDON: Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, declined to comment on his talks in Brussels. "I don't think I should add anything to the communique," he declared.

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In his latest speech, Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Socialist leader, has called upon the people to take advantage of adult franchise and return the Socialist Party to power in the next general election, because, "it is the only, party which can deliver the goods to the people."

What "goods"?

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Speaking at Mymensingh (East Pakistan) Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan declared that Pakistan always wanted a peaceful settlement of the Kashmir problem, but it would never allow any other country to reign in Kashmir.

That is to say the Kashmir solution should be peacefully settled by transferring it peacefully to Pakistan.

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Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, however, further declared that Kashmir Muslims would not remain slaves.

There he spoke the reality. Kashmir Muslims do certainly not want to be slaves and that is what annoys the Liaquat Ali Khans.

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HONGKONG: Communist China, through its agents here, has placed orders for 50,000 bales of Pakistan raw cotton, since America imposed a ban on all exports to China.

Interesting, very interesting.

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The U.N. Cease-Fire Committee has told the Chinese People's Republic that it would wait one week before making a final report to the U. N. Political Committee on the chances of stopping fighting in Korea.

This of course is not an ultimatum but an urgent appeal to help the committee make a report.

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On the occasion of his 71st birthday, a flood of messages from Germany's Soviet Zone thanks Stalin for his "generous assistance to the German people."

Does it include the generous assistance which Communist papers and publicists are rendering by denouncing Germany and the German people as potential aggressors against first the East and next the West?

Sane Guruji

THE PATRIOT-SAINT OF MAHARASHTRA

By Swami Anand

THE SUDDEN tragic end of Sane Guruji was mourned all over Maharashtra as a family bereavement. He was born on 24th December at the close of the 19th Century. A high-souled genius with rare gifts of head and heart, he was unequalled among his literary contemporaries. An inspired writer, poet-saint and social worker he was indeed in the line of Maharashtra's most illustrious sons,—Tukaram, Tilak, Gokhale, Karve and others.

During the second phase of Civil Disobedience which was resumed after the R. T. C. of 1931, a petty Anglo-Indian jailor had earned notoriety at Nasik. He left no stone unturned to break the spirit of 700 satyagrahi prisoners under him and at last found his way to prison himself for his criminal excesses.

IN IRONS

One morning, during these days, after the daily round of the prison officials, two warders escorted a prisoner in my yard of 55 cells of which I was probably the sole occupant. He seemed to be coming straight from the smithy where heavy bar-fetters were rivetted on him. The skin on his ankles had already peeled by the friction and he walked with difficulty, trying to hold with both his hands the iron rings as high as possible over the shorn ankles. His countenance and bearing at once bore me a strange resemblance, and in a flash I was reminded of Jesus on his way to Golgotha.

As he approached he prostrated full length before me with all his iron on and then stood up with folded hands without a word. He looked sore and crestfallen. But his eyes startled me. They were a burning flame,—a measure of the inner intensity.

This was Sane Guruji. I had heard of him as a teacher at Amalner and as a popular idol of Khandesh youths. At first he seemed a bit nervous with me, but we soon became friends and spent the rest of the day in talking on all manner of subjects.

He was awarded three months barfetters for daring to speak to the jailor straight in the face when spoken to. A prisoner, according to the jailor, had to speak to the officers with his eyes downcast. With naive humility he asked me if in doing what he did he had done anything that was unworthy of a satyagrahi, and felt happy when I reassured him on the point. He was taken away the next day and was restored to me only after the exit of the notorious jailor. Thereafter our acquaintance took no time in developing into an enduring friendship.

VERSATILE WRITER

He was as yet unknown to Maharashtra as a poet-saint or a literary prodigy. Yet he had, he told me, already about 5,000 pages in MSS to his credit, which covered essay, biography, poetry, folk-lore and fiction. His famous autobiographical 'Sham's Mother' which moved Maharashtra from end to end to its very depths, was written in the cell next to mine, while he was denied writing materials, but he was allowed to use mine.

He wrote this marvellous story of his own early life after locking hours in 4 or 5 evening. He wrote at thrice the pace of a scribe. Words trod upon and crushed the heels of one another. The writing finger could not race with his ideas and emotions. He would shyly borrow a 120 or 160 page blank notebook from me before lock-up time and at the hour of unlocking next morning place it in my hands written from cover to cover in a hand which was a string of 'purest pearl serene.' And in a hundred pages or more you would look in vain for a single scored word or a scratch!

His release date arrived earlier than mine. The day before his release, I placed my note-book in his hands and requested him to write out a few verses from Sanskrit classics in his own handwriting by way of an autograph. He took out the pen and wrote there and then, 211 gems from memory in less than half an hour. He would have gone on, but some one called him and he left it at that with the figure 212. I have carried this note-book with me these 18 years as a precious treasure and I feel his affectionate touch every time I handle it.

HUMBLE ORIGIN

Like the great galaxy of his illustrious predecessors,—Tilak, Gokhale and others, he sprang from humble origins of Konkan coast. In the face of great poverty and hardship he pursued his studies with characteristic fervour up to M.A. and shunning all thought of family life and a home, took to teaching profession in a missionary spirit. He was a born teacher and an instructor of youth. He was at his best with students and youngsters. With elders and equals he was shy and reserved, and looked queer. His ways often bordered on the feminine. There was an almost motherly abandon in him which took him to the farthest end of self-denial and personal service. He would rush anywhere to nurse of 'mother' an ailing youngster without a thought of pressing preoccupations.

As a teacher he did not confine himself to the class-room. He taught and spoke unceasingly and with sweeping eloquence to groups of young men who hovered around him at all hours like swarming bees. He soon became the undisputed leader of Khandesh youths. He worked among factory labour and pleaded for economic justice during industrial disputes. He championed the cause of the masses and became a Congress missionary. He conducted Congress journals and courted prisons.

GALVANISED MAHARASHTRA

But his role was greater for Maharashtra than mere topical. His great gifts of pen and eloquence had a wider and much more enduring appeal. He revived a passionate charm for and lent dignity to the humble village life and to the language of its unsophisticated folks. He filled these with fresh content. He took Maharashtra by the storm and swept her youth off their feet. He was the most eloquent counterblast to the materialistic cynicism that had gripped post-Tilak Maharashtra intelligentsia whose spirit had broken under years of British repression. Mediocre leadership had failed to appeal to the new generation, and narrow revivalist provincial slogans of false prophets fell flat in the larger context of the fast moving world-events and country-wide movements. He lifted the new youth from the quagmire of doubt and offered him a new set of ideals and values that caught. He offered him an inspiring role. He heralded a new age of righteous emotion and action.

The cause of the have-nots and the helpless outcasts of the society was his own. He championed it with a fervour which shook the social structure and confounded his critics. He served the Congress faithfully and well for long, but with equal earnestness took up the cudgets against what he believed to be its weak-kneed policy in respect of labour or temple-entry of Harijans, to the great discomfiture of his friends in power. He would not be consoled with legislative palliatives, but would stake his life by launching upon an indefinite fast for prompt implementation. He fasted for 21 days in penance to atone for the sin of Gandhiji's murderer.

EMOTIONAL STRAIN

A wrong or an injustice anywhere would upset him and drive him frantically to seek redress. Since the country's deliverance he was sore over the aftermath, over the persisting communalism, over the growth of provincialism that threatened to nullify our achievement in national solidarity. He was sore over the non-implementation of promises and procrastination of hopes that were held out to the toiling masses by the leaders of our non-violent Gandhian revolution; over the demoralisation and rot in Congress ranks and over the multiple privations that continued to be the lot of the humble inarticulate millions, and which often seemed even aggravated. He worked frantically fo ran era of intr-provincial amity and goodwill. He conceived and proposed an active country-wide organisation for furthering it. He was an antithesis of the stoic. He was all earnestness, emotion, passion. He would brook no delay.

I met him for the last time in June 1949, during one of his hurried visits to Bordi where I was convalescing. As usual he looked worried and preoccupied with his inner being which worked at a terrific speed. We talked about 'Sadhana',—his Marathi weekly, as also on the general state of things in the country. The strain on his nerves was evident. He lived and moved and had his being in a world of emotion which was at once his greatest asset and his weakness. This emotional strain was always upon him and it made every one around him anxious. Insomnia was only the external physical symptom. He lived disconsolately and burned inwardly.

And the flames alas! consumed him sooner than anticipated.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Tax Enforcement

In his recent address to the Associated Chambers of Commerce Mr C. D. Deshmukh, the Finance Minister of India stated that Government had done everything possible to give the necessary incentive to trade, industry and commerce, and what is more important, for capital formation.

If this claim is based exclusively on the "progressive" reduction in the rates of Income and Super tax it might seem to have some justification, but if the manner in which tax is collected is examined it will be seen that far from helping trade and commerce the Income Tax authorities are hampering them and defeating Government's objective of bringing in more revenue to the State.

There art hundreds of businessmen in Bombay who have been thrown out or are almost brought to a standstill in their business as a result of the strange methods of tax enforcement adopted by the authorities. On the basis of profits made by them in the past Government have taken large sums as compulsory deposits from hundreds of businessmen in Bombay alone. While these amounts are lying with them as "frozen" money, the parties are called upon regularly to meet fresh demands. Whether they have money or not, whether they are doing any business or not would seem to be no concern of the tax collectors. They are called upon to pay arbitrarily assessed amounts in advance within short times, and if for any reason, even such as those beyond their control, they fail to meet the demand they are penalised and have even to face the risk of their property and assets being seized and sold.

Pleas for time or appropriation in part or whole of the compulsory deposits lying with Government are summarily rejected and the process of extraction, or rather extortion, goes on relentlessly. The victims must pay by begging, borrowing or stealing. This policy has resulted in many traders and businessmen being reduced into a state in which they are unable to carry on their business.

Besides, there are other penalties to which they are subjected. Even parties who have paid lakhs to Government by way of E.P.T., Super tax and Income Tax—often to the extent of 14 annas in a rupee—are not given any Government contract for work or supply because they have not secured tax clearance certificates due to temporary difficulties or disputed assessments. They are also denied import or export licenses for the same reason.

On the other hand these privileges are given to newcomers who have obtained certificates by advance payment of Rs. 250 as income tax and to parties who by showing losses in business from year to year, are readily given clearance certificates without any ado. By this perverted policy the authorities are driving out of trade and business established parties with substantial tax potentialities and favouring persons who do not and cannot pay any tax. Is this not killing the goose that lays the golden egg?

Will the Finance Minister tell the public how much and from how many parties compulsory deposits are lying with Government for three or four years and to what extent those engaged in trade, commerce and industry are hampered and crippled in their tax yielding trades?

—"TAX-RUINED"

Houses For Refugees

The displaced persons are grateful for the continued attention they have been receiving from the Government and for the Government's unceasing efforts for their rehabilitation. As a rule 20% of all the Government jobs are being allotted to displaced persons, which procedure I am sure has helped a large number of refugees to find employment. But I regret to state that the housing problem of the refugees is not receiving the same amount of attention from the Government. At present the Government are constructing about 5,000 new tenements in different parts of the city and suburbs. These are now being allotted by drawing lots. I make a strong plea on behalf of the displaced persons that 25% of these new tenements be allotted to displaced persons by the same mthod. It is needless to remind that thousands of displaced persons in the city are today homeless. To say the least their condition is miserable. I hope the Government would appreciate our difficult situation and accept our suggestion and help the refugees to solve their housing problem.

—K. K. SHAHANI
Sindhi Panchayats.
Fedeartion

Teaching Of English

In the first flush of enthusiasm to replace English by Hindi as soon as possible, the Bombay Government had decreed that English should be taught only for four years in secondary schools with the option of an additional year. It was expected that English would gradually fall into disuse as Hindi came to the forefront. Even the limit of 15 years set by the Constituent Assembly was thought to be too long. But there are no signs of these expectations about Hindi acquiring either the status of the national language of India or of becoming an international language being realised in the near future. Better counsels are prevailing and the head of the Bombay State has warned the people against belittling the importance of English or relegating it to the background. It is being realised that English will remain the means of contact with the outer civilised world and its science and literature. But the Bombay Government has not thought it fit yet to revise their earlier order about the teaching of English in schools. It has been left to headmasters of the city, who should know where the shoe pinches, to point out the anomaly. As one of them pointed out crudely, unless sufficient knowledge of English was imparted to school students, they would only 'stumble, fumble and gape at professors vaxing eloquent in a foreign tongue', when they went to colleges where the medium of instruction was English. A meeting of city headmasters, held on Thursday, pleaded that the English language should be taught to secondary school pupils for six years and that the study of it should begin in the sixth standard instead of the eighth as now. In support of their view they pointed out that in the other States English is being taught for six years and for the sake of uniformity in the whole country Bombay should do the same. Secondly, the Central Advisory Board on Education prefers the teaching of English for six years in secondary schools. Lastly, they say, an adequate knowledge of English alone can open an avenue of livelihood to pupils and such knowledge cannot be imparted with justice during a period of four or five years. It is difficult to agree with Mr. M. V. Donde, who spoke at the meeting, that political considerations were intervening in the field of education because the men in charge of the department are not the sort to let their prejudices come in the way of a sound educational policy. If they feel that their earlier decision needs revision they will not hesitate to do so. But at the same time Mr. Donde's other plea that it was high time that teachers and headmasters should also have a say in reshaping the educational policy seems perfectly justified.

Wanted Imagination

The withdrawal of statutory rationing of sugar, the reported New Delhi decision to discontinue subsidies for the import of foodgrains, the scarcity of mill cloth due to exports and the consequent rise in prices will not bring down the high cost of living prevailing today. When wages had almost stabilised and bonuses discontinued, it was hoped that prices would come down gradually. But these new measures may start all over again the unending race between wages and prices. Everyone had hoped that the Government would make a bold attempt to break the vicious circle somewhere but the international situation and the impatience of people at home seem to be conspiring to defeat them. If the authorities do not look out, the ship of state may again drift dangerously on the uncertain seas of another economic crisis. A clear lead and strengthening of the public morale seem to be the need of the hour. One almost wishes that the elections were nearer, so the Government could get a verdict from the country to go ahead on the policy they think best in the circumstances. A clear election decision would also silence the disgruntled voice of the opposition who have whipped themselves into the belief that the public is behind them in their criticism of Government policy. They apparently believe that the average intelligence of the Indian people is so low that they can confuse the post war depression with the alleged inefficiency of the Congress Governments. They fail to appreciate the vastness of the problems to be solved and what has been achieved in the short period of three years in the teeth of adverse conditions.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Demand not that events should happen as you wish, but wish them to happen as they do, and you will go on well.

—EPICTETUS.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Madras Rationing

The Madras Government has decided to abolish informal rationing in rural areas in gradual stages and the beginning will be made next month. The Food Minister, Mr. J. L. P. Roche-Victoria, said the food situation in each village would be considered before informal rationing was abolished so that the change-over might not cause any serious dislocation. The State had been classified into four broad groups, surplus, self-sufficient, deficit and hopelessly deficit areas. Procurement in deficit districts would be given up but it would be continued in surplus districts. The decision of the Madras Government needs careful attention and the success of it will have far-reaching effect on the whole country: This experiment in theory sounds satisfactory, but to make it a success, the Government must ascertain first whether effective co-operation from the public and particularly from traders will be forthcoming. If the surplus areas honestly hand over the surplus foodgrains and if it does not find its way into the black market, the experiment will have the desired effect. The consumers must also refrain from buying anything from black markets. The Government, before they abolish informal rationing, must find out the correct position and secure reliable figures about deficit as well as surplus and then arrange to build up reserves for the balance of deficit. In no circumstances must the quota be reduced for it is essential to keep up the morale of the people. The food situation in the country is serious and in several parts of Madras there have been repeated famines. Naturally under such conditions, the people will be always anxious to hoard but if the Madras Government give enough assurance of regular supply of foodgrains and follow them up, the experiment may give a new direction to the system of rationing which exists in the country.

False Economy

The suggestion of economies in defence expenditure at this juncture seems rather strange. After Independence, it cannot be denied that neighbouring countries like Tibet and Nepal felt they had to deal with a weakened India. The arm of the British authorities on which they depended and at times without realising expectations, had been withdrawn from India, and in addition it was a neighbour weakened by partition that was left. Nor was this all. There had been a revolution in India culminating in national independence and the basis of the revolution had been non-violence. Whatever our feelings may be on the subject, it was natural to other countries to wonder how the new Government of India would handle foreign affairs, what friends it would seek and how much it would depend on military strength to help its friends. There was also a sedulously fostered impression abroad that Free India would be weaker than British India. All this has been tided over and by the vigour of the policy pursued in regard to our neighbours much was done to build a healthy relationship. It must be remembered, however, that a strong defence force is essential for a firm policy, and that it might even serve to carry through a policy of indecision. Nothing, therefore, should be done with an idea of false economy to weaken our armed forces or leave them badly equipped. There has been so far no reducing of expenses on defence but there has been a good deal of talk pointing in this direction which might easily lead us into implementing assertions of economy.

A Veteran Public Worker

The death of Shri Chotubhai B. Purani removes from our midst another stalwart Congressman. Coming only a week after the death of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, it is a blow to the public life of Gujarat which even that province, noted for the large number of devoted and selfless national workers, can ill afford at this juncture. Particularly poorer will be the movement of physical culture in that province, to which Shri Purani had devoted his whole life. He was the pioneer of the Akhada movement in Gujerat which did so much to impress on the young Gujerati the need of building a healthy and strong body. The part the late Shri Chotubhai played not only in the affairs of his province but on a nationwide scale during the "quit India" days when, along with many others he was for years underground, will be long remembered in the history of our freedom movement. He joined the Socialists in the country after the advent of freedom, although he had reached an age when many others would have thought of retiring from the active field. His death has created yet another void in the public life of Gujerat which will remain unfilled for long.

Perverse Attitude

The Chinese have, it is very regrettable to note, adopted an attitude on the Korean situation which cannot but be interpreted as deliberately cantankerous and irreconcilable. The persistent effort, despite repeated rebuffs, of the United Nations to achieve a peaceful settlement of Chinese intervention, is being exploited rather overmuch. That may perhaps be excused as a not unnatural manoeuvre. But what is not possible to explain away is General Wu's denunciation of the three-member Cease-Fire Committee as a "trap" set for the Chinese by the United Nations. The fact that all these efforts have originated in the initiative of Asian members led by India's Mr. B. N. Rau, and that the latter is one of the members —in fact, the most outstanding member— of the Cease-Fire Committee should not have been so completely ignored by Mr. Wu. He has practically accused India and Mr. Rau too of laying a "trap" for China, and nothing could be more grossly unfair than that. The Cease-Fire Committee has, however, decided to make yet another effort to induce China to accept the method of negotiation. Let us see how China responds to the latest cable addressed by the Committee to Premier Chou-en-Lai. Meanwhile, the only hopeful feature of the situation is that it is only the North Koreans who are reported to have crossed the 38th Parallel. If the Chinese "volunteers" themselves remain to the north of the Parallel, there is a possibility of the persistent efforts of the Cease-Fire Committee bearing fruit. But if they do not resist the temptation, the prospects of peace will become almost hopelessly dark.

Prospect Of An Agreement

A PTI-Reuter report credits the Egyptian Premier, Nahas Pasha, with summing up the progress of Anglo-Egyptian negotiations as "agreement reached on broad principles and continuing negotiations on detailed applications of those principles." He further said that the talks between the Foreign Ministers of the two countries had resulted in real appreciation of their respective points of view, and that they were inspired by "sincere good will on both sides." This may be interpreted as indicating, in the usual language of international courtesy, that several important differences have yet to be resolved or even reconciled. That actually is the position. The discussions in London between Mr. Ernest Bevin and Saleh el Din Bey have resulted in nothing concrete in the matter of fundamentals. But if beyond mutual appreciation of each other's points of view, there has been some agreement on "broad principles", then a basis has been found for an eventual satisfactory arrangement. The conciliatory and understanding mood revealed by both parties constitutes, at any rate, an encouraging prospect for a final agreement being reached between Great Britain and Egypt.

OF ALL THINGS

Wafer, Wafer, Everywere

AN American Indian cook who accidentally dropped a slice of potato into a pot of hot fat is credited with having started an entirely new food-processing industry in the United States. The potato chip (wafer) industry's production has increased nearly 500 per cent during the past 10 years alone.

According to legend, the cook, named Aunt Kate, was working at an inn near Saratoga Springs, in the state of New York, in the 1850's. While heating fat in which to fry doughnuts, she began slicing potatoes for frying. By chance, a slice of chip of potato fell into the hot fat and turned a golden, crispy brown. At that moment, it is said, a man named George Crum was in the kitchen. He fished out the piece of potato and ate it. Impressed by its crispy taste, he urged Aunt Kate to cook some more. She tried some herself, and liked them so well that she prepared them for the inn's menu.

The popularity of potato chips spread, but it was not until about 1925 or 1930 that they began to be sold in package form in American food stores. Today, sealed cellophane bags of potato chips are sold by the millions each year. These crisp, extremely thin slices of potatoes have become a favourite food and are served at many social gatherings.

Figures show that about 45,000,000 pounds of potato chips were produced in 1936 in the U.S. Last year an estimated 304,000,000 pounds were produced. At present about eight per cent of all potatoes used for food in the United States are made into potato chips.

Modern plants now operating in the United States are capable of turning out 500 pounds of chips every hour. In these plants conveyor belt and automatic machines perform the entire operation from peeling and washing potatoes to frying and packaging them as chips.

The industry has its own research and trade organization, the National Potato Chip Institute, and its own magazine, the "Potato Chipper".

Social Workers Must Broaden Their Field

JIVRAJ MEHTA'S PLEA AT JAMSHEDPUR CONFERENCE

JAMSHEDPUR, December 22, (PTI).

DR. Jivraj Mehta, Bombay's Public Works Minister, urged social workers here today to broaden their activities from curative to preventive, and to concentrate on welfare of all members of all communities, irrespective of whether they were handicapped or not.

Dr. Mehta was presiding over the fourth annual session of the Indian Conference of social workers. About 600 delegates, observers and guests from different parts of India attended the session which was inaugurated by Mr. Anugraha Narayan Sinha, Finance Minister, Bihar.

Dr. Mehta said that there were many basic defects in the socio-economic structure of society which created problems of poverty, and mal-distribution of wealth and opportunities.

In the case of India, he said, it was not only a question of maldistribution but a woefully low productivity. The country had terrific man-power at its command—they only need to be trained—to usher in a period of economic prosperity.

Until the production reached its peak level, Dr. Mehta said, family planning must be resorted to as the basis of raising our standard of living. "Simultaneously, we should direct our energies to develop the socio-cultural and economic level of our people in such a way that incidence of maladjustment in society is not only reduced but the remaining one can be tackled by individuals and families concerned." Dr Mehta added.

FOOD PROBLEM

Inaugurating the conference, Mr. Sinha referred to problems in the country which required immediate attention of Government as well as social workers. He listed food and public health the two most important problems". The appalling pictures of poverty and disease in our country offer a depressing spectacle. Once the food problem is solved, we should turn serious attention towards the improvement of general health of the masses", he said.

He hoped that the social workers would be able to intimate various welfare measures.

Sir Jehangir Ghandy, Chairman of the Reception Committee, welcoming the delegates said that to promote social welfare effectively, co-operation of an entire community was required. No social welfare organisation alone or even government could fulfil the task unless they received the backing of the masses.

The conference adopted a resolution, all standing, condoling the death of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Messages wishing success to the conference were received among others from Raja Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, Mr. M. S. Aney, Governor of Bihar, Lady Coleen Nye, wife of the U.K High Commissioner in India and Mr. B. G. Kher, Chief Minister of Bombay.

London Stock Exchange

LONDON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Sections of the Stock Exchange were firm today. Only meagre business was transacted in early stages. British Government stocks were unchanged, but there were scattered gains of few pence in leading industrials, particularly those connected with armaments. Oils remained under the influence of expectations of Communist pressure on Persia and were barely steady at previous closing levels.

Quiet firmness was shown by European bonds. German and Greek issues moved fractionally higher and there were small gains in far easterners.

Interest in minings gave firmness to coppers and kaffir developers, tins and others were steady. The exchange will re-open on Wednesday, December 27.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

Previous closing	..	42.83
Today's opening	..	42.83
Difference	..	Nil
Today's closing	..	42.95
Difference	..	+12

Stop Press

"RED STAR ACCUSES U.S.

LONDON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet Army newspaper "Red Star" said today that America planned to use Japan as a military base for an aggressive war against Russia, the Chinese and the Korean Peoples Republic.

TITO'S WARNING

BELGRADE, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Marshal Tito told Yougoslav today "There is war danger from the East." We shall never go to war for anybody else's interests but only in the interest of our freedom, he added.

VILLAGE MOB CLASHES WITH POLICE

IMPHAL, Dec. 22 (PTI): A 600-strong village mob clashed with a police party in Khabi near here resulting in one person killed in gunfire and arrest of two women.

REARMAMENT GOALS INSUFFICIENT

U.S. Foreign Policy Body's View

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The Foreign Policy Association suggested yesterday that the North Atlantic Treaty powers should transfer some of their "general responsibilities" to the United Nations.

The Association, a private group of foreign policy experts said in a report that the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation would be more efficient if it were simpler.

The present rearmament goals of America and her allies were not enough to match Soviet military might the report declared.

"An American policy of maintaining a force large enough to disrupt economic life but too small to thwart Russia in actual combat might goad and tempt the Soviet Union to make a military move while the west was at a numerical disadvantage" it observed.

But a gradual transfer to the United Nations of the general responsibilities of the North Atlantic powers would reduce the cost of the American military policy and propaganda programmes.

"The United States has the means for discouraging military aggressors on a universal rather than a regional basis through its membership of the United Nations" the report said.

Another source of weakness, the report said, was political opposition in the United States to sharing information on atomic weapons with Western Europe.

DR. KHARE ARRIVES IN POONA

Three-day Session Of Sabha From Sunday

POONA, Dec. 22 (PTI).—Dr. N. B. Khare, President-elect of the 29th session of the Akhil Bharat Hindu Mahasabha, arrived here tonight from Nagpur. He was greeted on the station by Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, Chairman of the Reception Committee, Mr. S. R. Date, Secretary of the Committee, and other Hindu Mahasabha leaders.

Throughout today, a continuous stream of delegates to the three-day session, which commences on Sunday, arrived in Poona from different parts of the country. The Hindu Mahasabha leaders, who have already arrived in Poona, are Mahant Digvijainath, General Secretary, Mr. V. G. Deshpande, Organising Secretary, Mr. Debendranath Mookerjee, Vice-President of the organisation and Mr. Hardayal Devgun, President-elect of the All India Hindu Students' Federation Conference. Shri Shankaracharya of Jagannath Puri has also arrived.

About 1000 delegates are expected to attend the All India Refugees' Conference which is being held tomorrow in conjunction with the Mahasabha session.

States Should Plan River Projects

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 22 (UPI): Addressing the 13th annual general meeting of the Institution of Engineers (India), Hyderabad centre, Mr. M. Jafer Ali, Chairman, said today that the mighty rivers in India, which caused devastation and damage, if tamed and harnessed, could save the country from want, poverty and famine.

In fact he said, the solution lay in the development of the river valleys for the multi-purpose of irrigation, flood control, power generation and navigation. Presently, of the normal flow of rivers hardly six per cent was being utilised and of the hydro-power potentialities only one and half per cent was being put to use.

Continuing, he said that since the Central Technical Power Board and the Central Waterways, Irrigation and Navigation Commission were not in a position to undertake the detailed planning of all the river basins in the country, it was for the concerned states in a river basin to draw up a unified plan for its development.

AMERICAN COTTON IN BENGAL

Prospects Brights

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22 (UPI): A scheme for cultivation of better types of cotton suitable for use in cotton mills in the state of West Bengal is under consideration. The Secretary, Indian Central Cotton Committee, who recently visited West Bengal and inspected the cotton crop grown in the districts of Berhampore and Bankura and some villages in Midnapore District, is understood to be of the definite opinion that West Bengal has good prospects for growing American cotton in some of her districts.

The variety of cotton which has given the highest yield and appears to be well suited to the conditions obtaining in the state, is considered to be suitable for spinning yarn which would suitably meet the needs of West Bengal textile industry.

POLAR AIR IN LAHORE

LAHORE, Dec. 22 (PTI): For the first time in 21 years yesterday, mercury dropped to below freezing point in Lahore, the minimum temperature recorded being 31.3 degrees farenheit.

Weather experts attribute the sudden fall in temperature to polar continental air from Russian Turkistan and absence of western disturbances from the Mediterranean which keeps mercury round the 40 degree mark.

ST. XAVIER'S HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Jacob Carvalho Becomes Senior Champ.

BOMBAY, Friday.

A crowded programme run through with all possible haste gave spectators and competitors no time for enthusiasm to die down. Jacob Carvalho, the Senior Champion, Paul Fernandes and Douglas D'Souza the Junior A. and B. Champions respectively did not find it an easy task to claim their Championship awards.

A majestically and exquisitely performed Callisthenic display caught the admiring eyes of the enraptured spectators.

Mr. Fazal Rahimtoola, having just laid down his robe of Sheriff of Bombay was the presiding guest and Mrs. Rahimtoola distributed the awards.

FINAL DAY EVENTS

100 m. Jun. A.—1. Fernandes P., 2. Hansotia J., 3. D'Silva F.

100 m. Jun. B.—1. Andrades, F., 2. D'Souza D., 3. D'Souza L.

100 m. Jun. C.—1. Noronha E., 2. Rodrigues E., 3. Sequeira D.

100 m. Sen. —1. Carvalho, J., 2. D'Souza B., 3. Sequeira, A.

Skipping Race Jun. A.—1. Vaz J., 2. D'Silva F., 3. D'Souza G.

Skipping Race Jun. B.—1. Fernandes, J., 2. Seth M., 3. Fernandes U.

Skipping Race Jun. C.—1. Olivera J., 2. Heredia R., 3. Gurve P.

110 M. Hurdles Sen.—1. Fernandes L., 2. Carvalho J., 3. Fernandes, B.

Lemon and Spoon Jun. A.—1 Mendes B., 2. D'Souza, Noel, 3. Vaz John.

Lemon and Spoon Jun. B.—1. D'Souza D., 2. Fernandes U. 3. ——

Lemon and Spoon Jun. C.—1. Figueiredo A., 2. Alvares O., 3. Martin P.

200M. Sen.—1. Fernandes, L., 2. D'Souza, B. 3. Sequeira A.

200M. Jun. A.—1. Fernandes P., 2. Hansotia J., 3. D'Silva F.

200M. Jun. B.—1. D'Souza, D., 2. Andrades, F. 3. D'Souza L.

60M. Run Midgets—1. Martin, A., 2. Correa J., 3. Gandhi F.

50M. Lemon and Spoon (Midgets)—1. Sidwa C., 2. Correa Jude, 3. Martin A.

Shoe Race (Midgets)—1. Dias P., 2. Correa J., 3. Master R.

Horse Race (Midgets)—1. Menazie M. and Martin Angelo, 2. Gandhi F. and Correa Jude.

400M. Sen.—1. Dieton O., 2. Rodrigues W., 3. Sequeira A.

Sack Race Jun. A—1. Dias Morgan, 2. Mendes B., 3. Lobo Albert.

Sack Race Jun. B.—1. Pereira J., 2. Martin M. 3. Kripalani B.

Shoe Race Jun. B—1. Karachiwala, B., 2. Pereira J., 3. Andrades F.

Sack Race Jun. C—1. Salazar L., 2. Ferrao, A. B., 3. Martin P.

1500M. Sen.—1. Dieton R., 2. Rodrigues W., 3. Athaide A.

Obstacle June A.—1. Fernandes B., 2. Vaz J., 3. Dias M.

Obstacle Jun. B and C.—1. Fernandes U., 2. Nunes, J., 3. Banjia R.

1 Mile Cycle Sen.—1. Puttaya, P., 2. Fernandes L., 3. Satyapal A.

1 Mile Cycle Jun.—1. D'Silva F., 2. Sultan B., 3. Fernandes P.

Ex-Students 400 M.—1. D'Souza P., 2. Braganza M., 3. Fernandes L.

Ex-Students Chatti breaking—1. Mr. Daruwala, 2. Mr. Billimoria F.S.

Teachers' Race—Mr. C. Monteiro and Miss A. Mendonca.

INDIA MUST HAVE MENTAL FREEDOM

Sheikh Abdullah's Plea

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22 (PTI).—Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, Prime Minister of Kashmir, who arrived here today on a four-day visit said that achievement of independence would be meaningless unless they could achieve mental freedom also.

The Kashmir Prime Minister who was presiding over the sixth annual session of the Manimela Mahasammelan, a children's organisation in Central Calcutta, told the gathering of boys and girls that they were the future hope of the country. They should, therefore, shake off the last vestiges of slavery, mental and physical, so that they could maintain the freedom which was mainly achieved for them.

In other countries, he said, much attention was given to the welfare of the children, but in our country, children were not looked after properly. In any welfare scheme first priority should be given to the welfare of children.

GOVERNNOR'S ADDRESS

The West Bengal Governor, Dr. K. N. Katju who inaugurated the conference in the morning asked the boys and girls to pledge themselves to the ideals of their organisation in maintaining a disciplined life. Earlier, he hoisted the national flag and joined with the children in their prayer.

Manimela Sammelan is claimed by its organisers as the largest children's conference in the East having a membership of about 80,000 boys and girls from all parts of India. About 500 delegates both boys and girls, representing the 400 centres of the Sammelan all over India are attending the Conference which will continue for four days.

The Supreme Court of India will remain closed from December 24 to January 5 on account of winter vacation.

No Cease-Fire In Korea

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attempt to regain breathing time to resume its aggression."

Antung is in Manchuria, just across the Yalu River from North Korea.

COMMISSION WILL WAIT, SAYS RAU

No Official Reply From Peking

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter).—Mr. B. N. Rau, leader of the Indian Delegation, said today that the United Nations Cease-Fire Commission of three of which he is a member had not yet received any reply direct from Chou en-Lai rejecting the cease-fire proposal. He had however received private advices that the Peiping Radio had broadcast a statement by Mr. Chou-en-Lai describing the appointment of the Commission as "unlawful" as the Communist Chinese did not have a hand in its formation at the United Nations.

Mr. Rau said it was now for the Three-Man Commission to decide what to do next. But in any case, they would not go by private advices and would wait until a reply was received from Chou-en-Lai direct.

The Commission had sent to Mr. Chou-en-Lai three communications, the last of them yesterday.

In the first communication sent on Dec. 16 the Communist Government of China was advised of the appointment of the Cease-Fire Commission and its terms of reference and of the readiness of the group to meet Communist Chinese representatives "anywhere", including it was believed, Peking.

NOT A TRAP

In the second communication believed to have been sent on Tuesday but so far not officially released, the Commission sought to reassure the Peking regime that the cease-fire proposal was not a "trap" as described by Mr. Wu Hsiu Chuan, the Peking delegate here, in a press conference before his departure.

The third telegram sent yesterday informed Mr. Chou en-Lai that the Cease-fire Commission would wait until the middle of next week for a reply to their earlier message and then proceed to draft a report of the presently recessed Political and Security Committee.

NO OFFICIAL REPLY

The United Nations negotiators are not taking the Peking broadcast as official rejection of the cease-fire approach.

Earlier reports reaching Lake Success are regarded as having misinterpreted a broadcast statement by Chou en-Lai whereas in reality it appeared to be a "popular" reaction to the cease-fire proposal in China.

Mr. B. N. Rau said today "there are radio broadcasts on both sides and these radios give their own points of view."

He explained that there was all the more reason not to go by second hand versions of such broadcasts and to wait for an official reply from Chou en-Lai.

Mr. Entezam also said that he had not received any reply from Chou en-Lai and that he would wait for it before saying anything.

Europe Is Alive To Red Threat

ACHESON'S REPORT TO CONGRESS LEADERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The United States Foreign Secretary, Mr. Dean Acheson was today preparing to give Congressional foreign policy leaders a report on Atlantic Pact nation's plans to create a million-man army.

Mr. Acheson who has been under intense Republican fire returned to Washington yesterday from Atlantic Pact meetings in Brussels and was today attending a closed meeting of the Senate and House Foreign Affairs Committees.

He was reported to be ready to assure Congressional leaders that the Brussels talks had shown Europe was alive to the danger of Russian aggression and was doing everything possible to provide quickly the men and weapons for a united European army under General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Recent statements by Republican critics of President Truman's foreign policy, particularly on aid to Europe, indicated that Mr. Acheson would be closely questioned on the extent of proposed United States military aid.

Sheikh Abdullah In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22 (UPI): Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, Kashmir Premier, arrived here from Delhi by air shortly before noon today on a four-day visit for the first time to West Bengal. The visit is private.

He was given a rousing reception by a large crowd of Hindus and Muslims at the Dum Dum airport. He motored straight to Government House.

Menzies Leaves For London

SYDNEY, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The Prime Minister of Australia. Mr. Robert G. Menzies left here by air tonight for London to attend the January Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference. His wife and daughter were with him.

The party will have Christmas dinner in New Delhi and also spend some time in Karachi.

Precautions recalling wartime security measures are being observed during the flight.

Kashmir Is Not Opposed To Pakistan

SHEIKH ABDULLAH'S ASSURANCE

CALCUTTA, December 22, (U.P.I.).

"WHATEVER may happen we will continue to fight and will never allow our country to be divided amongst various communities" observed Sheikh Mohd. Abdullah, Prime Minister of Jammu and Kashmir, replying to an address of welcome presented to him by the West Bengal Provincial Congress Committee this evening.

Sh. Abdullah dwelt on the various problems confronting Kashmir at present. Referring to the question of setting up a Constituent Assembly for Kashmir, he said that the Kashmiris were not going "to live in this uncertainty." They were going to have a Constituent Assembly though this was "not palatable" for Pakistan. He declared that Kashmir had nothing to do with the U.N. The U.N. had concern with India and Pakistan, he added.

POPULAR SUPPORT

Sheikh Abdullah believed that the people "would side with us and every one will follow the lead given by the national conference." He said that they were fighting for a principle, for which one lived and died, and it was "human brotherhood" without any racial segregation. They had resisted Pakistan so far, and suffered immensely for that noble principle and they were bound to succeed. He expressed his confidence that "with the sympathy of all right minded people in India, Pakistan and the whole world, we shall win."

He thought that if the world situation was not so complicated as it was at the present moment, the Kashmir question would have been solved by now.

Referring to the policy of Pakistan, Sh. Abdullah said that Kashmir had no antagonism against Pakistan but they would never allow her (Pakistan) to have her own way.

If the people of Kashmir believed in the two-nation theory, he said, our fate would have been otherwise. He added, "whatever may happen we will continue to fight and will never allow our country to be divided amongst various communities. We resisted Pakistan while they were knocking at our door. We never expected India to come to our help and defend our country from the aggression of tribesmen and Pakistan Army." A country could not be communaly divided, he emphasised, and "we will live together as we lived in the past."

To a question, Sheikh Abdulla said that they had promised the cultivator and agriculturists of Kashmir that they would reform the land tenure system." So the first step we had taken was to liberate the majority of the people from the clutches of landlords and jagirdars. We feel that if you do not allow the people to enjoy the fruits of their labour, you cannot satisfy them. Land must belong to the actual tiller." He added that neither the Government nor the people had the money to compensate the landlords and the jagirdars.

Australia To Ask For Planes

SYDNEY, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): The Australian Prime Minister Mr. Robert G. Menzies said today that he would seek aircraft and other equipment for the Australian Air Force while he was in London for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers Conference next month.

He told reporters before leaving here for London that he would also have talks on the navy and army.

But these talks would be outside the main conference.

Asked if the emphasis at the Commonwealth Conference would be on defence, Mr. Menzies replied: "I don't know what will be discussed. There is no agenda. This is not a meeting to pass resolutions.

'Prime Ministers do not go to such conferences with preconceived ideas. They get together and discuss. We can do a lot of harm by saying too much about resolutions".

SELF REALISATION BY RENUNCIATION

Swami Sambudananda On Ideal Of Life

(From A Correspondent)

KIRKEE, Dec. 22: Under the auspices of the Divine Life Society, Kirkee Branch, Kirkee, Poona, Swami Sambuddananda, President of the Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Bombay, spoke on two vital subjects, namely, "The Ideal of Human Life" and the "Religion we need today" on December 19 and 20. A large gathering of the citizens and elite of Kirkee and Poona was present on both the days.

Swami Sambuddananda said that the ideal of human life was to achieve self realisation by renunciation. Renunciation did not mean that one should sever his connections with his family. An ideal householder was one who dedicated his life for the service of his family members and those in need of help with a spirit of love and sacrifice.

Speaking on "The Religion we need today", Swami Sambuddananda dwelt at great length on the various aspects of the different religions in the world and said that there was no difference whatsoever in the fundamental principles and the ideals between one religion and another. Religion was the birthright of every human being and it should be the endeavour of every man or woman to achieve perfection and eternal bliss and thus promote goodwill and peace throughout the world by devoutly following the injunctions of the Vedanta philosophy and the philosophy taught by various religions. "Brotherhood of man" was the universal religion and that was the need of the hour.

Brelvi Memorial Fund

BOMBAY, Friday.

The President Dr. Rajendra Prasad has sent a sum of Rs. 200 as his "token" contribution to the S.A. Brelvi Memorial Fund of the Bombay Union of Journalists.

Announcing this, the Secretaries of the Memorial Fund Committee, state that the appeal issued by the Committee has met with encouraging and influential support. Apart from the donors headed by Prime Minister Nehru already announced in a note issued on November 21, other notable persons who have sent their contributions include Shri C. Rajagopalachari, Minister without portfolio, Government of India, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Minister for Education, Government of India, and Dr. B. C Roy, Chief Minister, West Bengal, (Rs. 100 each), Mr. C. D. Deshmukh, Minister for Finance, Government of India, (Rs. 101).

The Second Anniversary of the death of Mr. Brelvi is being observed in Bombay on January 9. The committee is anxious to make a good showing by then. Attempts are being made to approach all potential donors individually. The Committee appeals to all friends and admirers of the late Mr. Brelvi and those interested in the welfare of working journalists to pay up their kind donation early.

T. K. GHOSH LEAVES FOR BOMBAY

Send Off By Allahabad Journalists

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 22 (PTI).—Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Editor "Amrit Bazar Patrika", and leader of the Indian Press Delegation for Egypt left Allahabad by Bombay Mail this morning for Bombay en route to Cairo.

Members of the Allahabad Journalists Association gave him a hearty send off at the station and garlanded him.

Mr. Ghosh, before his departure, gave the following message to the press: "It is not customary to say anything about a thing which has not yet been done. It will be time to talk about the result of this visit of the Delegation after I come back, but I will say only this now, that as a result of this visit of the Delegation, if India and Egypt understand each other better and become more friendly than ever, I shall consider the visit of our Delegation a great success."

U. S. GUARDS AGAINST SNEAK ATTACK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): To guard against a "sneak" attack on the United States the Government has made it mandatory for all aircraft to identify themselves on approaching the United States coastline or restricted flying areas surrounding atomic energy plants.

The Civil Aeronautics Authority has ordered all pilots to file flight plans under certain conditions.

LOANS TO 45,000 REFUGEES

Administration Report To Parliament

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI): The Rehabilitation Finance Administration has so far sanctioned a total sum of Rs. 4,63,55,600, by way of loans in respect of 4,509 applications disposed of by it, according to a review of the administration for the period ended August 31 last.

The review which was laid on the table in Parliament today by the Finance Minister, Mr. C. D. Deshmukh gives a resume of the work done by the administration during the 27 months of itsexistence. The administration was established on June 1, 1948.

It is roughly estimated, the review says, that the loans so far sanctioned by the Administration will not only directly rehabilitate about 45,000 persons (borrowers and their dependants), but also indirectly provide means of livelihood for about 85,000 displaced persons by way of employment in business and industries set up with the help of these loans.

TOTAL AMOUNT

Out of the total amount of Rs. 4,63,55,600 sanctioned ,the report says, the total amount actually drawn by borrowers during the period under review is Rs. 1,83,00,199. Reasons have been given for the time lag between the sanction of loans and their drawal, which includes lack of accommodation by the borrower to set up business.

The administration has been acutely conscious, the review points out, of the unsatisfactions of the present position under which in so many cases, loans are not actually disbursed for quite long periods after their sanction. Steps have been taken to see that so far as the administration is concerned, every possible facility is given to borrowers to finalise terms of the loans so as to enable disbursement to be made. The question of simplifying the procedure further is also under consideration, the review says.

According to the review, the applicants were dispersed all over India—some were residing in such far flung places as Assam, Madras, Bangalore and Mysore.

Other points made in the review are:—Out of the sum santctioned, Rs. 2,92,28,600 was for business of over 60 different types, like arms and ammunition, brassware, crockery and carpets.

A sum of Rs. 1,71,27,000 was for industries of over 50 different kind such as furniture, cloth, medicine, plywood articles, sports good, printing presses, and plastics goods.

The highest amount for a loan was one lakh of rupees and the lowest Rs. 5,500/-.

The average amount in a loan for business was Rs. 9,174 and for loan for industry Rs. 12,946. This bears testimony to the administration's anxiety to spread out its assistance so as to rehabilitate the maximum possible number of displaced persons with the limited funds at its disposal.

World Power Conference

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI).—The four-day technical session of the sectional meeting of the World Power Conference opening here on January 12 will discuss mainly the use of electricity in agriculture for irrigation on the farm, in rural homes and in cottages, light and heavy industries, traction and mines.

About 50 technical papers have, it is learnt, been contributed by different countries for discussion.

Lord Citrine (Great Britain) will be the chairman on the opening day of the technical sessions. Among vice-chairmen for the various sessions are five Indians, namely, Sir M. Visveswarayya, Sir Jehangir J. Ghandy, Sir L. P. Misra, Mr. V. Sheshasayee and Mr. K. C. Bhakle.

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HEAR SAIGAL AGAIN

Re-issue Of New Theatre's 'Lagan'

Acclamied as one of the best Indian films, New Theatres' enticing picture 'Lagan' takes the Minerva screen on Friday, December 22, due to insistent demand of the discriminating picture-goers.

Re-issue of 'Lagan' once again brings that inimitable trio of artists—India's one and only singing idol—the late Saigal, Kananbala and veteran Nawab with Jagdish and others.

Imaginative script, photography and direction by Nitin Bose, embellished with finest musical score provided by Raichand Boral, make 'Lagan' a must for every lover of film art and music. Calcutta Film Exchange are releasing the film

LIFE OF A BRAVE INDIAN WOMAN

'Ankhen' Gets Good Reception

Produced under the banner of Goel Cine Corporation, 'Ankhen' unfolds the story of a woman who faced odds with rare courage and confidence. To face the frustrated lover in the same house where she has entered as a faithful wife, and to check the outburst of her emotions, required courage and understanding of a high order.

Nalini Jayawant lives this role brilliantly. Shekhar makes a promising debut. Yakub keeps the audience gay and cheerful. Produced and directed by Devendra Goel with music by Madan Mohan, 'Ankhen' has had a very good reception at the Super and Broadway.

LOVE VERSUS AMBITION

Theme Of 'Doraha'

There are eight stars in Progressive Pictures' maiden production 'Doraha', now being directed by Bal Chhabda. These stars have not been taken up merely for their box-office value but for the suitability of their talent to the roles in the story.

—Eight stars, including Nalini Jayawant, Shekhar, Kamal and Aga, have given of their very best. Songs by Prem Dhawan, dialogue by Krishna Chandra and camera work by S. Srivastava make 'Doraha' an exquisite piece of film art. It is a story of modern people, the kind one meets in metropolitan cities. It is a story of love versus abition, and the story of any modern young man or woman

'Doraha' has another angle which will long be remembered by filmgoers. The music is by wizard Anil Biswas. There are nine songs in the film and each of them represents a human emotion.

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Of The Indian Screen

GALA PREMIERE OF "JANMASHTAMI"

Kishore Sahu Presents Lord Krishna's Life Story

'JANMASHTAMI' THE MIGHTY MYTHOLOGICAL SPECTACLE OF HINDUSTAN CHITRA WILL HAVE ITS GALA PREMIERE TODAY AT THE NEW WEST END CINEMA AND SIMULTANEOUSLY AT SEVEN MORE LEADING CITY THEATRES.

Hindustan Chitra's 'Janmashtami' distinguishes itself in many respects. Being a picture produced by Kishore Sahu it is likely to be a top quality film in presentation as well as characterisation.

'Janmashtami' is a screen biography of Lord Krishna from birth to final renunciation. The picture is a spectacular chronicle of the incidents from his life which are familiar in every Indian home. And to provide the touch of reality, the outdoor scenes of this picture were shot at Mathura, Vrindavan and on the banks of the river Jamuna.

To make the characterisation perfect the right artiste has been entrusted with the right role, Raj Kumar, a child prodigy, as Bal Krishna, Nirmala as Radha, Bharat Bhushan as Lord Krishna, Jeevan as Narad, Sampson as Kauns and Amirbai as Devaki.

'Janmashtami' is released through Messrs India Film Exchange.

Rajkumar as Balkrishna in "Janmashtami."

FILMKAR'S "DEEDHAR" GETTING READY

Cast Includes Five Top-notch Stars

While 'Chhoti Bhabi' has been released all over India and has proved a popular family social, Filmkar has almost completed its second ambitious picture 'Deedhar'.

Directed by Nitin Bose from a screenplay by Azm Bazidpuri, 'Deedhar' features five top-notch stars including Nargis, Ashok Kumar, Dilip Kumar, Nimmi and Yakub in the key roles. Presenting a pulsating drama of four persons in search of love, it is further embellished with Naushad's music and Shakil's lyrics.

Filmkar is also busy making 'Ghungru' which can only be described as the most unusual type of entertainment. Those who have seen the rushes are amazed at its effective photography and hilarious comedy. 'Ghungru' is expected to hit a new high in screen entertainment.

Directed by Pralhad Dutt, it features Om Prakash in the role of his life with Sumitra, Kuldip, K. N. Singh and others.

Secret Of Long Life

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec. 22 (UPI): Now living secluded in a cave in Opoh, a man, still unmarried at the age 104, said the cause of his long life was "hard work, a vegetarian diet, and remaining unmarried."

He came to Malaya at the age of 16 from Santak District of Kwangtung Province, China. He first came to Singapore in 1862. He is a Buddhist and a vegetarian, worked as a lumberman and then as gardener.

He would not give any reasons for not getting married but said it was the best guarantee for a long life.

Meena Kumari, Mubarak and Jilloo in Wadia Films Ltd's "Ma Dhosh".

Shantaram & Jayashree To Co-star In 'Parchhain'

THEIR DAUGHTER SAROJ TO MAKE HER DEBUT

WHEN Shantaram announces a new picture, it is news. Every picture he directs and produces is a significant contribution to the Indian screen. But when Shantaram decides to act in one, there is even more news value, because, during the last 25 years of his career as a director, every artiste who has worked under him has acknowledged him as a superb actor. He directs an artiste by first playing the role in a manner which even the best find difficult to emulate.

He has now decided to appear on the screen once again in Rajkamal's forthcoming picture 'Parchhain'. In this story, written by Shams Lucknavi, Shantaram has got an artistic role to perform. Jayashree will co-star with him, and those who have seen them working together in 'Dr. Kotnis' can look forward to their performance in 'Parchhain' with great expectations.

The film will also introduce two new faces. Meenakshi, who is well versed in the art of dancing, and Saroj, Shantaram's talented daughter. In addition, the picture will also feature Lalita Pawar and Wasti, the seasoned artistes.

The picture has gone on the floors and the gigantic set of the heroine's palatial residence which took over two months to construct, is the first set on which Shantaram has started shooting.

Gandhiji's Nirpan Day Celebrations

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, December 23. Mr. Nehru and Mr. Purshotamdas Tandon will likely to be present on the Gandhiji's Nirpan day to be celebrated in Ahmedabad on January 30. Mass prayers and public meetings will be held on that day. The ceremony will also be held in Sabarmati Ashram and Gujarathi Vidyapeth. The Executive Committee of the Gujarat Congress will discuss the question of holding the next A.I.C.C. and also a proposal of instituting a memorial for Sardar Patel.

Ranjan in dual role as father and son, in Gemini's "Mangala" (Hindi), a costume picture.

'MANGALA' PROVIDES NEW TYPE OF ENTERTAINMENT

Lavish Settings: Acrobats Perform Rope Dance

GEMINI believes in taking pains to serve cine-goers better and in a newer way each time, and 'Mangala' is going to set a new type of entertainment for audiences.

In its story there is emotion, enjoyment, glamour love and revenge. In its cast, there are top artistes, Bhanumathi and Ranjan, with a supporting cast of carefully selected personalities who live their roles. In music and songs Gemini's 'Mangala' will long be remembered.

No trouble and no time was spared to make the film as lavish as possible. Two separate palaces had to be constructed to make the various scenes of this picture and special properties and decorating material were ordered for the purpose.

Scenes were taken on location specially for the picture while a party of performing acrobats were also brought to Madras to film the thrilling sequences of the 'rope-dance'.

The film was due to open in the city this week, but has been unavoidably held over for a future date. Whenever it is screened, filmgoers can be sure of some excellent and highly polished entertainment in the true Gemini tradition.

A Real Musical In The Offing

GOOD LUCK'S NEXT PRODUCTION

If J. P. Advani carries out what he proposes to do, Good Luck's next production is going to be a musical in the real sense. J. P. Advani has bought a story which lends itself to music. The story is from the pen of Santoshi who wrote 'Shensi', 'Khidki' and other films.

Ram Khilnani and director J.P. Advani who are partners in the business, are now busy with elaborate arrangements for the production of 'Shamiana', the Santoshi story to be produced by Ram Khilnani.

It is Advani's desire to give Indian filmgoers a real musical this time. The cast will include some top-notch players.

RUN STATE PROJECTS ON BUSINESS LINES

Estimates Committee's Recommendations

NEW DELHI, December 22, (PTI-Reuter).

STRICTER control by Finance Ministry and Parliament on State projects and their running on commercial lines are the highlights of the recommendations made by the Estimates Committee to Parliament. The Committee has made these recommendations after examining the working of the Sindri fertilizer project and other projects under State management.

The Committee has also recommended that contracts with other parties should be entered into in future after more careful study. Contracts should be properly 'vetted'. The Committee has suggested that complete details of the original estimate of a state project should be placed before Parliament when submitting a demand for grant and details of revised estimates should be placed before the Estimates Committee for detailed scrutiny before submission to Parliament.

FROM 10 TO 23 CRORES

The Committee has said that the cost of the Sindri fertilizer factory was originally estimated in 1944 at Rs. 10.79 crores and then raised to Rs. 12 crores. In subsequent years it was revised to Rs. 15 crores, then to Rs. 18 crores and now to Rs. 23 crores. On an examination of the matter however it was evident that even this figure was not final. The reasons for the increase given the Committee continues, was increase in cost of land due to delay in acquisition, increase in world cost of machinery and controlled cost of steel in India and payment of fees and other expenses to engineers and constructors and on establishment for a longer period than as thought necessary.

The original estimate of the technical mission, the Committee says, was only 'an eight line estimate' and no details of the estimates had ever been prepared. The Committee has quoted the evidence before it of the officials of the Industry and Supply Ministry to the effect that there was no estimate at all of the project. 'It was a rough guess', "neither Government nor Parliament at any time approve the estimate at all "and" Sindri work is something extraordinary over which nobody had any control".

Characterising the position as "a highly unsatisfactory state of affairs, the Committee says that there was no evidence that the Finance Ministry had at any time made an effort to have the costs of the project carefully calculated and put on a firmer basis. There were 12 spending authorities and eight accounting officers who were responsible for spending and keeping accounts of the project.

NO CO-ORDINATION

"At no time", the Committee continues," was an effort made to co-ordinate the activities of these spending authorities with a view to getting an over all picture of the progress of the project in spite of the fact that the Industry and Supply Ministry employed a large supervisory staff to look after the construction and progress of the project. For each one of these spending authorities, there was a separate accounting and auditing staff and no attempt was made to co-ordinate their activities either.

"Only after the expenditure had been incurred and the amount debited to the Sindri Account did the Finance Ministry come in. The Committee asks: "Is this the way in which a government project should have been allowed to progress?"

Referring to the system of contracting on "cost plus" basis, the Committee says that under such a basis in a rising market, any delay would benefit the seller. The original estimate was prepared in 1944 but the contracts were entered into with two firms in February 1946 and June 1947. Though the decision to set up the factory was taken in 1944, it was not until May 1947 that the land was acquired.

"This delay in acquisition of land, cost the Exchequer an increase of about four hundred per cent in the cost of land, eighty per cent in the cost of plant and machinery, fortly per cent in the cost of steel and 100 per cent in the cost of fabrication". The Committee has said that the Government should inquire into this matter and fix responsibility.

LAVISH EXPENDITURE

On the employment of supervisory staff for the Sindri Project by the I and S Ministry the Comittee characterises the expenditure as "lavish and could have been avoided".

After drawing attention to the recommendations of the Economy Committee that normal government machinery could not manage commercial enterprises of such dimensions and that these should be entrusted to public corporations, the Estimates Committee says that no attempt was made by the Ministry to assess the full financial implications of the project even after the finding of the Economy Committee.

The Eestimates Committee has suggested the setting up immediately of a committee by government to investigate into the whole matter and to fix responsibility and derive lessons from these experiences to be made use of in future.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject to the recommendations of such a committee, a number of recommendations, have been made by the Estimates Committee for state projects. These are:

(1) There should be a single authority for every state project to control and co-ordinate the progress including purchases, production and distribution.

2. A separate control organisation under this authority should be responsible for framing accurate estimates and keeping accurate accounts from time to time.

3. State projects should be run on commercial lines with proper balance sheets, profit and loss accounts, depreciation and reserve funds and so on. Parliament should have adequate control over the projects to enquire into their working.

4. It should be carefully examined whether the construction work of a project should not be entrusted to an agency other than the C.P.W.D.

CONTRACT TERMS

5. Terms of contracts to be entered into with others should be carefully examined by experts. Agreements on "cost plus" basis should be discouraged and Government should retain final powers for giving sub-contracts and fixing up rates.

6. Finance Ministry should observe stricter control over projects and should insist on definite and reliable estimates of cost. They should satisfy themselves at all stages whether a revision in estimates is necessary. Finance Ministry's sanction should be obtained for any expenditure by administrative departments. "Ex-post-facto" sanction should be given only in exceptional cases.

7. Complete details of the estimated cost of a project should be placed before parliament when submitting a demand for approval.

8. Details of all revised estimates should be invariably placed before the Estimates Committee for a detailed scrutiny on behalf of parliament. The Ministry concerned should bring such proposals before the committee in time for it to examine them in detail and report to parliament.

'Baazi,' Another Box-Office Hit In The Making

In the wake of 'Afsar' which tried to expose the corruption and bribery rampant in officialdom, Nav Ketan, has now undertaken a more ambitious project in 'Baazi' which comes as a delightful exposure of the hypocrisy behind the exploiting tactics of society.

Though the theme has purpose and a moral, this time Nav Ketan is going out to win as many laurels as possible. If ever a picture was designed with an eye to box-office appeal, it is 'Baazi'. The music by Sachin Dev Varman who is a master of folk tunes, and the songs by Sahir Indhianvi are outstanding. Those who have already heard these songs feel that Verman has surpassed even his past melodic successes.

With Geeta Bali and Dev Anand in the central roles, this film is expected to be a smash hit at the box-office. Three newcomers who are cast in the film are enchanting Kalpana Kartik, and two youngsters Guru Dutt and Balraj.

CARNATIC MUSIC'S ORIGINALITY

Bhavnagar Rani's Plea For State Help

MADRAS, December 22 (PTI): The Maharani of Bhavanagar said here today that Carnatic music had retained its own originality and character while Hindustani music had varied according to outside influence of invaders from time to time.

She was inaugurating the twenty-fourth annual conference of the Music Academy, Madras at Rajaji Hall.

The Carnatic pattern, she said, was perhaps more formal and more scholarly and these had given it the strength and background "to resist any attempts to admixture or cheapening."

The Maharani appealed to the Government to start more schools and colleges of Indian music to preserve the national culture.

Vidwan Chinnaswami Iyer, violinist of Krur, delivered the presidential address. Delegates from various institutions, affiliated to the Academy, attended the conference.

RAVAN AS HERO IN 'JAI SHANKAR'

He Was Made, Not Born Wicked

An outstanding mythological will be presented by Latica Pictures in their maiden effort 'Jai Shankar'. This picture which is being directed and produced by Ishwarlal, the veteran actor, brings to the screen the human aspect of the story of Ramayana. It makes Ravan the hero of the sory instead of Ram, and shows how Ravan was made wicked, and not born so.

Covering the whole span of life of this great disciple of God Shiva, 'Jai Shankar' shows how a devotee can achieve his object. Ishwarlal himself plays the role of Ravan, while beautiful Ranjana is the wife Mandodari.

Music is another feature. The late Khemchand Prakash started the musical score and it is now being completed by his brother Vasant Prakash.

Saroj Pictures Ltd. who control the rights of this picture are getting many offers for the distribution rights of this film.

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AMERICAN MARKETS

REVERSAL OF STRADDLE OPERATION IN COTTON

Wall Street Market Irregular

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.

Following opening irregularities the market eased on scattered liquidation and hedge selling. Most traders were on the sidelines awaiting further price controls developments. Prices eventually steadied slightly on renewed trade demand and short covering.

CCC reported loan entries of the 1951 crop upto December 14 at 5,305 bales and withdrawals 473 bales. Current crop months fluctuated irregularly in the afternoon reflecting occasional flurries of mill buying against textile sales, particularly in March and May versus hedgeselling. Forwards came under pressure of commission house and liquidation with the reversal of straddle operations between old and new crops also depressing the latter. Nearbys rallied in final minutes trading on renewed trade demands and shortcovering together with dry up of offerings, finally closing firm Sales were 285,000 bales.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

	New York Cotton	New Orleans Cotton
March	42.83	42.73
May	2.41	42.35
July	41.78	41.72
October	39.08	39.15
Middling spot	43.95	42.85

N.Y. Cotton highest March 42.84 at 11-44 hrs. Lowest 42.62 at 10-35 hrs.

WALL STREET MARKET

BOMBAY, December 21.

While activity continued at a good pace including a fair amount of switching, the market this morning moved in narrow trading groove. Confusion was apparent over voluntary price freezes with little disposition to take more aggressive stand until the situation was clarified. Price changes either way were principally fractional with losses in slight majority and including leading coppers, steels, aircrafts, motors, rails, oils and industrial equipments.

Utilities which had been behind the market spurted in the afternoon as belated recognition was accorded to their potentialities but they failed to find much if any reflection in other sections. However it served to push the composite average rate to a small gain. While still mildly lower, the rail average was above the worst on some new support following the announcement of a settlement of the two-year dispute with four major operating unions. At noon the averages were industrials 230.40 and rails 77.41. No important changes in the price pattern developed in final dealings. The session closed irregular

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

American Tel and Tel.	150-1/2
Amerex Holding	41-1/2
Anaconda Copper	37-3/4
Chase National Bank	36-1/2
Firestone Tyre	79
General Electric	48-1/2
General Motors	45-3/8
Ingersol Rand	75-1/2
International Nickel	35-3/4
National City Bank	45-5/8
N. Y. Central Railroad	21-1/2
Sinclair Oil	33-1/4
Socony Vacuum	24-5/8
Texas Co.	77-1/4
Union Carbide	53-3/4
U. S. Smelting	55
U. S. Steel common	41
Western Union	40-7/8

Total number of shares which changed hands during the day was 2,990,000.

The highest and lowest of U. S. Steel trading prices were 41-3/8 and 40-3/4 respectively.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

CHICAGO, Dec. 21: Grains sagged under the leadership of wheat under commission house liquidated prompted by the bearish government winter wheat crop forecast. The early softness vegetable oils resulting from the continued confusion over the voluntary price freeze order was an additional depressing factor. Exporters supported the market on the decline against a sale of a cargo of maize to United Kingdom and small amount to Holland as well as 5,000 tons soft wheat to Belgium.

CHICAGO WHEAT

December	2.45
March	2.43-3/4
May	2.38-3/8
July	2.39-1/8

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Exchanges T. T. London on

New York	2.7987/2.8012
Montreal	2.96 to 2.96-1/4
Stockholm	14.47 to 14.50
Switzerland	12.23 to 12.26

London Stock Exchange

LONDON, Dec. 21.

2-1/2% British Consols	£71
3-1/2% Conversion Loan 1961	£96-3/8
4% Funding Loan 1960-90	£107-1/8
3-1/2% War Loan on or after Dec. 1, 1952	£94-5/16
Charter Bank	£8-15/16
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	£78
National Bank of India	£31-1/2

Transactions on the London stock exchange are officially place at 4,609.

London Bullion

LONDON, Dec. 21.

London: Silver spot and Forward	70d
London Gold bars fine per ounce	£12 8 0

Restricted Business On Amsterdam Exchange

AMSTERDAM, Dec 21.

Royal Dutch bonds were firmer today on subscription of a new convertible loan. The general tendency was steady with business restricted but yesterday's higher level maintained.

New York Pepper Quiet

NEW YORK, Dec. 21: The pepper market was quiet as traders were hesitant as a result of price freeze announcement. Traders opine that a roll back or freeze is not workable for black pepper which is already in short supply. It is feared that any imposition of ceiling on black pepper might result in pricing the United States out of market at a time when stocks here are very low. When ceilings were imposed at the start of World War II the United States had a huge stockpile—a sharp contrast with the present situation. Spot today was at 1.60 asked, January shipment at 1.54 and March shipment at 1.44 dollars. Grinders, fearful that they will be unable to sell above the prices at which they sold on December 1st, countered with bids at December 1st level. Trade sources report that Spice Traders Association members will meet with Washington officials on January 4th in an effort to straighten out the current unsettled price situation. Meanwhile, the Department of Commerce reports that the United States imports of unground black pepper during September totalled 57,14,000 pounds weight comprising 17,000 pounds from the Lebanon, 1,479,000 from India, 23,000 from Siam and 1,195,000 from Indonesia. The market closed with black pepper spot at 1.60 asked. OLD AND NEW CONTRACTS at, December 1.60 nom., January 1.55 nom., February 1.53. nom., and March 1.43 nom. White pepper spot closed at 2.75 asked.

London Pepper Market

LONDON, Dec. 21.

The pepper market was quiet but Indian shipment was firm and dearer. Black Lampong December shipment was at 10 shillings and white Muntok was at 17sh. 7-1/2 pence, shipping weight, with white Sarawak at 18 shillings delivered weight per pound c.i.f. basis ports. Malabar afloat was at 1,325 to 1,400 shillings, December 1,260, January 1,200, March 1,130 per cwt. c.i.f. United Kingdom.

Paris Bourse Cheerful

PARIS, Dec. 21.

Dealings for new account produced a firmer tone. Foreign shares were prominent with coppers and numerous gold shares improving but Mexican Eagle was the best feature on repayment announcement. Indo Chinese were better on news of the arrival of Indo China General Lattre de Tassigny. Danube Save Adriatique were better on hopes of Italian payment to holders. Rentes little changed but generally more cheerful.

London Copra Firm

LONDON, Dec 21: The copra market was firm with Straits Dutch East Indies fair merchantable delivered weight at £103-1/2 paid, Philippines in bulk was quoted at 260 dollars and Ceylon at £112 per ton c.i.f. December/January shipment.

The cocoanut oil market was firm with Straits in drums at £160 buyer and in bulk at £155 buyer. Ceylon in drums at £160 seller and in bulk at £156-1/2 seller January/February shipment. Palm oil Liberian was at £110 quoted January/February shipment, Malayan at £125 nominal per ton c.i.f. Rape oil and Palm kernel oil were unoffered.

N. Y. Silver Sales

NEW YORK, Dec. 21: Routine demand absorbed 175,000 ounces in the open market at the unchanged price of 80-1/4 cents per ounce.

PRESENT YARN EXPORTS TO CONTINUE

Clarification By Centre

POONA, Dec. 21.

"Some exports are necessary in order that we may earn the foreign exchange required to pay for essential imports. A total ban on the export of yarn would mean that we would lose all connection with our existing export markets for yarn. The step would lead to the diversion of trade other sources of supply". States the Deputy Commerce Minister, Government of India in a communication addressed to the Mahratta Chamber of Commerce and Industries Poona in reply to the Chambers plea for total ban on yarn-exports with a view to easing yarn-shortage facing Power-loom and Hand-looms.

Government themselves have been perturbed about the Shortage of yarn in the country; the Communication proceeds; and progressive steps have been taken to restrict exports with the result that only 25 per cent of production of yarns above 32s but excluding 80s to 100s, is now being allowed for export. This small volume of exports, Government feels, should be allowed to continue."

When there are shortages of many kinds in the country the Government appeals to hand-looms and power-looms, to bare some share of these shortages.

The Government however expects that the general cotton position will be somewhat easier in the coming months since they have succeeded recently in obtaining a good allocation of American Cotton and home Cotton crop is larger than it was last year.

The Deputy Commerce Minister has assured that the situation is constantly under review and that interests of the consumers of yarn will continue to receive Governments most sympathetic consideration.

CITY MARKET

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Dec. 22.

The local bullion market was fairly firm today with further buying support.

At the opening forward share was quoted at the 185/9 and declined at the 185/6 under scattered liquidation. At this level there was renewed professional buying and the market sharply advanced at Rs. 185/14 but steadied at Rs. 185/10 on profit taking. Ready Bullion was quoted at Rs. 185/8 and mint silver was placed at Rs. 186.

Forward gold for the next settlement opened at Rs. 110/10 and after declining at Rs. 110/4 rallied at Rs. 110/10. Current settlement was quoted at discount of annas six. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 110/5 feeling was bullish on firm Calcutta.

Later on there was increased buying support and the market closed as under:—

Ready Silver	..	185	4 0
Forward	..	185	9 0
Ready Gold	..	110	2 0
Forward	..	110	9 0

SHARE BAZAR

BOMBAY, Dec. 22.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was officially closed today. The market feeling was bullish on form Calcutta advices and Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 1942/8 to Rs. 1945.

Later on Tata Steel Defds. were quoted at Rs. 1940/- and Indian Irons were placed at Rs. 33/4.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

The following is the statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 15th December:—

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

	Rs.
Capital:	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,32,50,000
Deposits and Other Accounts	230,75,93,000
Borrowings from Other Banks, Agents, etc.	2,45,00,000
Bills Payable	3,37,26,000
Bills for Collection being Bills Receivable as per contra	36,44,000
Acceptances, Endorsements and Other Obligations for Constituents as per contra	8,000
Other Liabilities (including Inter-Office Adjustments)	7,34,26,000
RUPEES	256,23,97,000

PROPERTY AND ASSETS

	Rs.
Cash: In hand and with Reserve Bank	27,48,63,000
Balances with other Banks	5,58,28,000
Investments: Government and other Trustee Securities	112,31,54,000
Other Authorised Investments	12,28,25,000
Money at Call and Short Notice	3,29,29,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	7,76,24,000
Loans, Advances, Cash Credits and Overdrafts	83,02,50,000
Bills for Collection being Bills Receivable as per contra	36,44,000
Constituents' Liabilities for Acceptances, Endorsements and Other Obligations as per contra	8,000
Dead Stock less Depreciation	1,60,03,000
Other Assets (including Inter-Office Adjustments)	2,52,69,000
RUPEES	256,23,97,000

Karachi Market Quotations

KARACHI, Dec. 22.

Cotton market steady 289 F rollers soled upto 102/8 owing to Hongkong and China buying. During past two months they have bought nearly 1 lakh bales owing to American embargo on shipments to Communist China. Some business reported with Kobe for 4 F cotton. Yesterday's exports 8786 bales for China, Hongkong, Kobe, Bremen. Pakistan will supply one end half millions pounds tea upto June 1951 according agreement reached with United Kingdom. Current quotations:- Cotton 289 F 100/101 four F 96/- Gold 90/4.

Brussels Stocks Steady

BRUSSELS, Dec. 21.

The bourse was generally steady with prices occasionally better. Societe Generale exceptionally scored a lively recovery. Canadians were cheerful. The approaching holiday, however, made for caution and business was very quiet.

U. P. STATE TRANSPORT STRIKE IMMINENT

KANPUR, Dec. 22. (PTI): All efforts to end the strike by the workers of the U. P. Government Roadways, Kanpur region, having failed, the authorities yesterday warned the strikers that if the strike was not called off forthwith, steps would be taken against the strikers.

About 500 Roadways workers went on strike on December 19, without giving any notice to the authorities. Their demands 'inter alia' include reinstatement of a worker alleged to have been dismissed by the authorities without a proper charge-sheet and permanent jobs for all daily wage employees.

An explosion in a fireworks factory at Saragosa (Spain) killed three people and injured seven on Thursday.

Alleged Attempt To Export Gold

INDIANS CHARGED IN ENGLAND

UXBRIDGE, Middlesex, Dec. 22. (PTI-Reuter): Four Indians—three women and a man—were sent for trial at the Old Bailey yesterday for an alleged attempt to export nine bars of gold, worth £ 2,000 (rupees 26,600) through the London airport to India. They reserved their defence and were allowed bail.

They were Vithal Banarse, importer and exporter; his wife Shanti Banarse, Manabai Chaudhari and her sixteen-year-old daughter Sulochana Chaudhari, all giving London addresses.

It was alleged that when asked by customs officers at the London airport on December 9 if they had gold, silver or jewellery to declare, both Banarse and the girl said they had not. The export of gold was prohibited under the Exchange Control Act of 1947.

Banarse and the girl were travelling together to India, where the value of gold was considerably higher than in Britain.

IN A WAISTCOAT

Miss Chaudhari was then searched by a woman customs officer and it was alleged that beneath her sari and blouse was found a man's waistcoat with nine bars of gold sewn inside.

Banarse denied the waistcoat was his or that he got the girl to carry the gold.

Mrs. Banarse was alleged to have told the officers that she bought the waistcoat and had sewn pockets in at the request of her sister, Mrs. Chaudhuri. She was alleged to have added, "We had plenty of ornaments and they got broken. I melted them and made them into bars. We wanted to send them to India to be made into new ornaments."

Mrs Chaudhari said she gave the waistcoat containing the gold to her daughter to wear when she went to India, because she did not like to give it to Mr. Banarse.

A search of their house, it was alleged, led to the finding of crucible and a mould.

PRICE DIFFERENCE

Mr. Frank Hobbs, a bullion official said the official price of gold in India was about 350 shillings per fine ounce. The price in England was 248 shillings.

Mr. Julius Silverman (for the defence): At least six of these bars are higher than 22 carats?

Mr. Hobbs: Definitely so.

Mr. Silerman: That means that they are of the quality of gold which is not normally obtained in this country?

Mr. Hobbs: "It seems to have been Indian native jewellery melted down. That is my assumption."

Moscow Celebrates Stalin's Birthday

MOSCOW, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): In wintry sunshine Moscow celebrated the 71st birthday of Marshal Josef Stalin yesterday.

The Soviet Premier was hailed as "Our Sun, Our Life" in banner headlines by the youth newspaper "Komsomolskaya Pravda".

Painted caricatures of President Truman, Mr. Attlee, Mr. Churchill and other Western politicians were prominently displayed at the 1950 annual exhibition of Soviet Art which opened here on Wednesday.

The exhibition includes 1,500 paintings and sculptures, drawings and posters by 700 artists from the sixteen Soviet Republics.

There were several new birthday portraits of Marshal Stalin.

STRIKE IN ITALY

ROME, December 22 (PTI-Reuter): Massive forces of police were called out yesterday in industrial centres of Northern Italy when 150,000 workers obeyed a Communist call for a four-hour strike.

Armed riot squads in jeeps led the police.

The strike paralysed Italy's metallurgical and mechanical industries most of the day.

PANAMA COULD BE KNOCKED OUT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): A House of Representatives Committee said yesterday that the Panama Canal could be knocked out by an enemy bombing attack and urged quick consideration of another waterway linking the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

The group suggested prompt study of the possibilities of building either (1) a companion waterway along the general route of the existing canal, or (2) a new canal in some other spot, possibly Nicaragua.

YARN EXPORT CAN'T BE TOTALLY BANNED

POONA, December 22 (PTI): The Deputy Commerce Minister, Mr D. P. Karmarkar, in a communication to the Maharatta Chamber of Commerce and Industries of Poona has stated that a total ban on export of yarn was not feasible.

The Chamber had pleaded that such a ban be imposed with a view to easing the yarn shortage facing powerloom and handloom industries.

NEW U. S. AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec 22 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Walter Sherman Gifford, new United States Ambassador in London presented his credentials to King George yesterday.

World Peace Can Be Maintained

LIE'S OPTIMISM

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 22, (PTI-Reuter): **Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, declared on the eve of his departure for Europe that world peace could be preserved and no nation wanted war.**

Mr. Lie is leaving today for Norway for the holidays. Early in January he will go to Geneva, Paris and London to examine possibilities for the next regular session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Lie emphasised at a conference that whatever happened in Korea it would not affect the future of the United Nations.

But he added that if the United Nations failed in its aim of a peaceful settlement in Korea, some of the principles of the charter would suffer in the progress.

At his weekly news conference, he said that on his European trip to decide the site for the next General Assembly session he would be accompanied by Mr. Shamaldharee Lall, Assistant Secretary-General, Mr. Byron Price, another Assistant Secretary-General and Mr. Andrew Cordier, Executive Assistant.

Discussing the efforts being made by the United Nations to establish a cease-fire in Korea, Mr. Lie said, "I have great confidence in the Cease-Fire Commission."

"It consists of three of the best and finest persons in the United Nations."

He referred to Mr. B. N. Rau as a "Lawyer and judge held in the highest esteem" and added, "If the Commission did not succeed, it would not be their fault."

Indian On Trial In England

COMMITTED TO THE ASSIZES

SHEFFIELD, Dec. 22, (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Narayandas Chopra, former Chairman of Darwins Limited was yesterday committed to take his trial at the Assizes on charges of false pretences, obtaining credit by fraud and converting company's money to his own use.

Dr. Chopra was allowed bail on two securities of 1,500 pounds sterling each.

Dr. Chopra protested that he was not guilty of the charges which involve a sum now put at 14.774 pounds sterling. The Assizes will be held at Leeds in February.

The Magistrate's clerk, Mr. Leslie Pugh, said one must not assume that the specifications were valueless, though it was the prosecution's case. It was a matter for the jury later.

Cops Mutiny Case In Patna

32 SET FREE, 10 MEN SENTENCED

PATNA, Dec. 23, (PTI): Convictions of thirty-two out of forty-two accused in the police mutiny case of March 1947 various terms of imprisonment by subordinate courts—on charges of waging war against the King, conspiracy to wage war against the King, and spreading disaffection among policemen—were set aside, on appeal, by Mr. Justice Shearer and Mr. Justice Jamuar of the Patna High Court yesterday.

Their Lordships sentenced ten accused, including Pandit Ramanand Tewary described as the leader of the rebel policemen and President of the Bihar Police and Jailmen's Association, to six months' rigorous imprisonment each on the charge of spreading disaffection among policemen.

One of the accused, Inderdeo Singh, was also sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment on the charge of roberry. The two sentences in his case are to run concurrently.

Pandit Tewary, it may be recalled, had been absconding after the mutiny with a heavy reward announced by the Government for his arrest, surrendered at the Gandhi Camp at Patna on the advice of Mahatma Gandhi and was escorted to the Phulwari Sarif Camp Jail by Miss Mridula Sarabhai, the then Private Secretary of Mahatma Gandhi.

PEKING HITS BACK IN NEW TRADE WAR

HONG KONG, Dec. 22. (PTI-Reuter): The Peking Government retaliated against the American ban on exports to Communist China by ordering its Hong Kong agents not to ship 450 tons of wood oil originally destined for the United States.

Trade circles here said the wood oil would have been worth about 280,000 American dollars in the United States.

This is believed to be the first cargo for the United States affected by the Chinese authorities' counter-action to the American ban announced on December 8.

Agents for the Communist Government have received cabled advice confirming earlier reports that no licences will be issued for exports to the United States and Japan.

Another shipment of 100 tons for America scheduled for end-December loading has also been cancelled.

George VI To Broadcast

CANBERRA, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): King George the Sixth of Britain will broadcast a message to the Australian people on New Year's Eve to inaugurate the jubilee year of the Australian Commonwealth.

Madhya Pradesh Notes

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, (By Mail): Mr. G. D. Karkare, Editor, the New Leader, was assaulted by a goonda on December 14 night while he was returning in a rickshaw from his press on the Cotton Market Road. An unknown person struck him a heavy blow on the head with a lathi. Mr. Karkare bled profusely.

Similarly, Shri B. N. Saoji, Editor, Chavata, a Marathi weekly was also assaulted on the public thoroughfare while he was coming in a rickshaw accompanied by Mr. Karkare to attend the dinner given in honour of Mr. Srinivasan, President of the All India Newspaper Editors' Conference at the Mount Hotel.

REDS ARRESTED

Raipur police has been able to arrest one Manmohansingh, a prominent Communist leader of the province who had gone underground immediately after a warrant was issued for fomenting the sweepers' strike in Raipur district. He was wanted for some months, but could not be traced.

DONATION FOR COLLEGE

Mr. D. R. Dhanwate Proprietor of the Shivraj Litho Press, Nagpur, has donated Rs. 75,000 to the National College, Nagpur conducted by Shri Shivaji Educational Society of which Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh M.P., is the President. The name of the National College will be changed to Dhanwate College. The Society has undertaken to give free education to 15 children of the workers of the Press free of cost.

MILLS NOT CLOSED

Great surprise and regret is being expressed in official and labour circles at the attitude of the managements of the Empress and Model Mills, Nagpur, in not closing the mills on receipt of news of sad demise of Sardar Patel. It is said that a joint deputation of the Rashtriya Mill Mazdoor Sangh and Nagpur Mill Workers Union waited on the General Manager of the Empress Mill and requested him to close the mill. It is learnt that the General Manager, while declining to close the mill, said that the mill had nothing to do with the death of Sardar Patel and to the contrary he was carrying out the instructions of Sardar Patel by producing more.

DISPOSING OF THE DEAD IS PROBLEM

Orissa Minister Reviews Cholera Position

CUTTACK, Dec. 21. (PTI): The Chief Minister of Orissa, Mr. Nabakrushna Chaudhuri, apprised the Orissa Cabinet this morning of the cholera situation at Ratnalai and adjoining areas and the task before Government to prevent the spread of the epidemic to villages in Dhenkanal district.

According to a report received from the District Magistrate of Dhenkanal, the disposal of bodies is still a problem. All possible sources are being mobilised to control the situation.

Five brigades of St. John Ambulance, seven platoons of the Orissa military police, the police force of the district and nearly 50 sweepers and volunteers from the Orissa Medical College are now engaged in the disposal of bodies and relief work in the affected areas.

There were 57 more admissions to the Orissa Medical College Hospital up to 2 p.m. today, raising the total admissions to 743.

Visitors to Rantalai who fled to the interior on the outbreak of cholera are now slowly coming to the railheads to go back to their native places.

Hyderabad Ministers' Case: Orders Reserved

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 21 (UPI): The full bench of the Hyderabad High Court hearing the applications for the transfer of the Laik Ali Cabinet Ministers' case from the file of the Pinto Tribunal to some other court, today reserved orders till January 3.

Some accused in the case, it might be stated, applied for the transfer of the case on the plea that in view of certain remarks and comments made by the special tribunal in the two cases tried by it, they entertained reasonable apprehension.

Technical Training Awards To India

COLOMBO, Dec. 22. (PTI): Australia and New Zealand have offered technical training awards to India as part of their contributions to the technical assistance scheme of the Colombo plan for South and South-East Asia, usually reliable sources disclosed here.

Australia's offer is stated to cover training of 50 Indians in electrical engineering, civil aviation and mining, and New Zealands, five Indians in road engineering and three in factory inspection. New Zealand has also agreed to provide India with nursing teachers.

According to same sources, India on her side has offered to Ceylon facilities for training in textile technology, silk industry and paper manufacture.

JUTE PRICES GO UP IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): Selling prices of jute in Britain will be raised from January 3 because of recent increases in the Indian export duties on jute goods and due to the higher prices now having to be paid for jute prices from other sources.

The Jute Control said its selling price of all types of raw jute will be raised by £49 (about rupees 638) a ton while the selling price for ten ounce forty-inch Calcutta hessian will rise by 31 shillings and six pence per 100 yards to 141 shillings and six pence.

Derationing Will Help Karwar

MR. SASTRI'S VIEW

(From Our Correspondent)

KARWAR, Dec. 18: A forthright condemnation of the way rationing and controls have been working so far was made by Mr. S. S. Shastri, M.L.A. (Bombay) and member of the Karwar District Supply Advisory Committee, in an interview.

"The present demoralisation of both the people and Government Officers alone is a sufficient ground, if there be no others, for the abolition of the present systems of controls and rationing," he asserted.

Talking of the paddy-yield in the current year, in Karwar District, Mr. Shastri stated that "from my talks with the people in the District and from what I have observed in this taluka (Honavar), I think that the paddy yield this year will not be more than half of what it was last year. This is as regards the kharif crop. The rabi crop is yet to be harvested and I understand that this is better than the kharif crop."

Turning to the food situation, in the District, he said that it was "graver than last year's". "Our District was always a deficit one—producing only a third of the usual requirements of rice for the whole population. Formerly, huge quantities of paddy and rice used to come into this District chiefly from Mysore, and from Dharwar and other Districts and also from Burma and I am sure, that if free movement of foodgrains be allowed again our District will not suffer from scarcity of foodgrains."

Regarding paddy-procurement by the Government, he stated that it had always been satisfactory, though at the cost of much harassment to the poor and small paddy cultivators. The village officials and even those in the taluka offices were in the habit of levying from the small landowners more than the big landowners who manage to escape with less than what they ought to give to Government.

Since last year he said the cultivating tenants manage to hide large quantities of paddy and sell it in the blackmarket which thrive more than ever in all the talukas—thanks to the corrupt subordinate officials—on whom mainly the Government relies for efficient working of controls and rationing.

He is "entirely in favour of the lifting of controls and rationing in all talukas of this District. Indeed I am for removing these in all small towns throughout the State, and for retaining them only in the big industrial cities where there is a large labour population."

"The continuation of controls and rationing will only add to the worsening of the food situation and the hardships of the rural population. A free movement of foodgrains is quite essential. GOVERNMENT IS NOT IN A POSITION TO FEED THE RURAL POPULATION OR FOR THAT MATTER SMALL TOWN DWELLERS PROPERLY OR SUFFICIENTLY."

"WHERE IS THE PROPRIETY", he asks, "then of persisting in a policy which is disliked by a majority of the rural as well as the small-town dwellers alike?"

Crime Wave In Malwa

(From Our Correspondent.)

UJJAIN, (By Mail): Reports received from different villages of Malwa and neighbouring districts show that thefts, dacoities, murders and crimes are increasing and everywhere people are apprehensive. The Government Machinery particularly the Police Department has proved most incompetent to check the growing crime wave in the area.

Reports received from Barnagar Pargana say that several murders were committed in the villages. The Jahgirdars, Zamindars and other elements have joined hands and everywhere conditions of insecurity are being created to condemn the Congress Government and conspiracies are being hatched against the Congress.

In Ujjain city, too, thefts and crimes are being committed openly and important shops are broken open almost every day. The Police Authorities have proved themselves incompetent to check this growing crime wave. Recently an Indore Police official has been deputed to watch the Police Department in the city but in a interview to a press representative whose house was broken open, the officer confessed of horrible mismanagement prevailing in the Police Department in Ujjain district.

All India Hindi Sahitya Sammelan

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, Dec. 21.

Arrangements are now almost complete at Kotah (Rajasthan) on Ratlam Mathura B.B.C.I. Rly. line for holding the 38th plenary session of the A.I. Hindi Sahitya Sammelan from December 26 to 30 under the chairmanship of Mr Jaichandra Vidyalankar, an eminent historian President-elect of the Sammelan for 1951. Mr. R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting will preside over the Rashtra Bhasha Sammelan while the Sociology Conference will be presided over by the Socialist leader Mr Jaiprakash Narayan. Both these conferences along with some other conference on different subjects will be held at Kotah together with the Sammelan session.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN TALKS

CAIRO, Dec. 21 (PTI).—Mr. Nahas Pasha, the Egyptian Prime Minister today summed up progress in the current Anglo-Egyptian political talks in London as "agreement reached on broad principles and continuing negotiations on detailed application of these principles."

In an interview he said that the talks (concerned with the evacuation of British troops and the political future of the Sudan) between his Foreign Minister Ealeh el Din Bey and Mr. Ernest Bevin had resulted in a real rapprochement of viewpoints between the two Governments.

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India's Election Code On The Anvil

PLAN TO KEEP OUT CORRUPTION

Parliament Refers Bill To Select Committee

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 22, (PTI).

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNED TILL FEBRUARY 5, 1951 TODAY AFTER REFERRING TO A SELECT COMMITTEE THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (NO. 2) BILL.

This Bill, described as an "election code", seeks to provide for the conduct of elections to the Houses of Parliament and the States legislatures, the qualifications and disqualifications for membership, corrupt and illegal practices and other matters relating to elections.

The Law Minister, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, said amidst cheers that under the Bill every voter would be able to stand as a candidate. It also removed all residential qualifications for candidates. It was felt that in view of the fact that India was now united under a single Constitution, and barriers of caste, creed, community or provinces no longer recognised, any person entitled to be a candidate, should be able to stand for election anywhere in India.

Earlier the House adopted the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, which regulates the election of representatives of part "C" States (centrally administered areas) to the Upper Chamber of Parliament.

SELF-RULE IN STATES

Prime Minister Nehru assured the House that it was Government's intention to go into the question of self-government in part "C" States, "very soon".

The case of each State would have to be treated separately. "We shall first go into the question ourselves de novo and then, if necessary, we shall appoint a Committee for the purpose", he added. In any event, members of Parliament would be consulted.

The House also adopted Appropriation Bills to give effect to the supplementary demands passed during the last two days. The Appropriation Bill in respect of the general Budget is for over Rs. 63.99 crores. Out of this, over Rs. 40 crores was passed as supplementary demands. The rest are charted on the consolidated fund. The major part of the amount charged on the consolidated fund is represented by interest-free and interest bearing advances.

DETAILS

Parliament today passed Appropriation Bills moved by the Railways and Finance Ministers to give effect to the supplementary demands granted during the last two days.

"The Finance Minister's Appropriation Bill includes in addition a total of over Rs. 23.90 crores charged on the consolidated fund, which in turn including over Rs. 23.87 crores in respect of interest free and interest bearing advances"

The House passed the Representation of the People (Amendment) with agreed amendments moved by the Law Minister, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

ELECTORAL COLLEGES

According to the amendments, electoral colleges based on adult franchise will elect the representatives of Ajmer, Bhopal, Bilaspur and Himchal Pradesh, Cutch, Manipur, Tripura and Vindhya Pradesh in the Upper House of Parliament.

The representatives of Coorg (in rotation with Ajmer) will be elected by the elected members of the Coorg Legislative Council and the representative of Delhi by the members of the House of the people representing Delhi, the non-official members of the Advisory Council of the Chief Commissioner of Delhi and the non-official members of every Cantonment Board, District Board, Municipal Committee and Notified Area Committee in Delhi.

As in the original Bill, the representation of Manipur and Tripura, like Ajmer and Coorg, will be by rotation while Bilaspur and Himachal Pradesh will get joint representation. The electoral for colleges for Ajmer, Bhopal Kutch, Manipur and Thipura will consit of 20 members each. Bilaspur and Himachal Pradesh 25 members and Vidhya Pradesh 50 members.

Dr. Y. S. Parmar (Himachal Pradesh-Bilaspur) wanted Bilaspur to be merged with Himachal Pradesh and said there was a feeling that Bilaspur was being kept as a separate entity only to satisfy the wishes of the ruler.

Mr. Gokulbhai Bhatt (Bombay) said it had not been made clear whether the present members of the local bodies in Delhi would take part in the election of the representatives of Delhi or members elected on adult franchise.

Dr. R. U. Singh (Uttar Pradesh) asked whether the members of the Coorg Legislative Council would be elected on adult suffrage.

NEHRU'S ASSURANCES

Prime Minister Nehru, intervening in the debate, said some members were evidently full of suspicion about Government's attitude in regard to some of the States and they wished him to say something which might possibly in some degree lessen their suspicion.

"I take it", said Mr. Nehru, "that there is nobody in this House who does not desire that these states, or any part of India, should be put on a level, in so far as is possible in regard to self-governing institutions, with other States. We propose to consider each case separately and as soon as possible, to give effect to the decisions, but there are obvious difficulties. Each one of the class "C" states stands on its own footing and is completely different from many points of view".

For instance, he said, the States of Tripura and Manipur were different not from the point of view of being forward or backward—he did not attach much importance to any such classification in regard to any part of India—but they were important from the point of view of being on the border and also because, unfortunately, they had not been developed in regard to communications and other things. The problems of Ajmer or Coorg were not those of backwardness but of size. Vidhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh were fairly large areas. Finally there was the case of Delhi which had both the honour and disability of having the capital here. It was an honour and a privilege but privilege also carrie disabilities and obligations which could not be easily forgotten.

Mr. Nehru wished to issue the House that "it goes against the grain for us in Government to have these large and populous areas being treated in a special way and being deprived of the normal ways of carrying on the Government themselves. We want to remedy that as soon as possible and to the best extent possible and it is Government's intention to go into this question very soon. We shall first go into it ourselves de novo and then, if it is necessary, we shall appoint a Committee for the purpose. In any event, members will be consulted—those members concerned directely and others indirectly—because any decision we may arrive at can only be a proper decision if it is taken after full consultation'.

The Bill was passed as amended.

CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

The Law Minister, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar then moved for a reference of "the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill, 1950", to a Select Committee of 31 members with instructions to report to Parliament by the end of the third week of the next session of Parliament.

The 163-clause Bill seeks to provide for the conduct of elections and other cognate matters not dealt with in "the Representation of the People Act of 1950"

The Law Minister, said that the present Bill dealt with matters not contained in the previous Act, namely qualifications and disqualifications of candidates to and for members of legislature, the actual conduct of the election, corrupt and illegal practices, definition of election officers, and the constitution of Election Tribunals for the purpose of deciding election disputes.

As regards the qualifications of candidates, no additional qualification had been imposed excepting that a person must be a voter. Every voter will be able to stand as a candidate. The present Bill also removed all residential qualifications for candicates. At present a candidate has not ony to be a voter, but must be a resident of the constituency. It was felt that in view of the fact that India was now united under one single Constitution and they did not recognise any barriers of caste, creed, community or provincial barriers, it was desirable to provide that any person who was entitled to be a candidate might stand anywhere in India notwithstanding the fact that he does not belong to that State or Constituency. (Loud cheers.)

Dr. Ambedkar then referred to the disqualifications for candidates imposed by the Bill. The law, he said, was hitherto scattered in different statutes and he had thought it would be desirable to bring them all together and codify them.

Dr. Ambedkar said that it was his proposal that the holding of a contract with Government should also be a matter for disqualification. Such a provision existed in the United Kingdom, Act. But he thought it might be desirable to consult the Select Committee on this matter as to whether the disqualification should be for standing as a candidate or it should be limited to continuing to be a member of Parliament. He said, therefore, left the whole question open.

The Law Minister then dealt with the provisions for the conduct of elections and drew the attention of the House to certain new features regarding nomination. Under the existing law, he said, the validity of nomination could be canvassed and decided upon in an election petition. He had always felt that it was "a very harsh procedure" as the question of nomination was "a preliminary issue".

Dr. Ambedkar said: There is no reason why this preliminary issue should be kept hanging and the whole election should be allowed to take place, forcing people to spend their time and energy in contesting the election, and subsequently to allow somebody to come and say that the elected candidate has not been validly nominated". It was desirable to settle this issue in the beginning itself.

TRIBUNALS

He had therefore, proposed to treat the issue as a preliminary one and provided that the Election Commission should make some provision for the purpose of constituting some tribunal to which the disputes regarding validity of nomination could be referred and decided upon finally. This was "a very salutary provision". But on the advice of the Chief Election Commissioner, this procedure would not be followed for the first election. The Chief Election Commissioner had stated that it would not be possible for him to give effect to this for the first elections as there would not be sufficient time for him to think of any ad hoc tribunals for the purpose.

Referring to the provisions for Election Tribunals in the Bill, Dr. Ambedkar said that there could be a variety of ways for constituting such Tribunals. On this there could be no dogma. It had to be decided in the light of public opinion. The Bill proceeded on the assumption that there should be some sort of right of appeal to the High Court. It was also assumed that the public had greater confidence in the official machinery for the disposal of election disputes.

Consequently what the Bill proposed to do was to have two-member Tribunals. The Chairman of the Tribunal would be a District Judge and the other member a judicial officer. It was difficult to imagine at this stage what would be the number of election petitions. Dr. Ambedkar said: "But in view of the fact that the people of this country are so enamoured of politics—so far as I see they almost have a passion for politics—that I surmise there might be a very large number of election petitions. If that happens, and if you wish the machinery to decide the appeals should be official, the number of District Judges that may be available will be found to be considerably insufficient." It was, therefore, decided that the second member need not be a District Judge. In addition, it was provided that the High Courts would prepare a list of advocates, who in the opinion of the High Court may be deemed to be suffiently qualified and reliable to be employed as members of the Tribunal.

Mr. Jaspath Roy Kapoor: "Some employment for Advocates".

Dr. Ambedkar: "In spite of what many may say, civilisation cannot exist without Advocates. Law is the very foundation of civilization." (Loud laughter)

APPEAL TO HIGH COURT

The Bill also provided that when there was difference of opinion in the Tribunal a reference might be made to High Court.

Dr. Ambedkar said that the law relating to election petitions, as it stood at present, was "in the most indefinite state one can find." He had devoted "considerable time and attention to the clarification of this position."

The Law Minister then dealt with the provisions in the Bill relating to corrupt and illegal practices. Their present law was defective in a sense so far as corrupt intention was concerned. The law had now been made clear that in the case of a corrupt practice what was essential was not the corrupt practice but the corrupt intent. As regards an illegal practice, there could be no question of intent at all."

FAIR ELECTIONS

Dr. Ambedkar said that he was sure the House would be anxious to know about the provisions to ensure free and fair elections. The first provision was that all election meetings on the election day and the day preceding had been banned. It was thought desirable that the voters as well as the candidates should have "two peaceful nights" before they went to the polls. A penalty had been imposed for disturbances of election meetings. Officers performing any duty in connection with an election and police officers had been prohibited from acting for candidates or to influence voters.

Canvasing in or near polling stations had been prohibited. Penalties had been provided for disorderly conduct in or near polling stations such as use of megaphones, loudspeakers or shouting in or near polling stations. The hiring or procuring of vehicles for bringing voters to or from polling stations had been made punishable. Breaches of official duties in connection with an election had been punishable offence as also removal of ballot papers from a polling station. Personation had been a cognisable offence.

There was also a provision by which every voter would have to get his thumb marked with indelible ink. In view of the huge size of the electorate some such method was essential so that there would be no possibility of a person exercising a vote a second time in the name of another person.

Dr. Ambedkar said that he had suggested a large Select Committee of nearly 31 members, because the time before the House was short.

Earlier today, the Speaker told the House that it was the geneal wish of the House to conclude discussion by 6 p.m. If any member objected, the speaker would be willing to accept a closure motion and put it to the House.

Dr. Ambedkar stated that as there was no question of policy involved in the Bill, and it was largely a matter of detail, he would raise no objection in the Select Committee if any suggestions were made. If members, who were not included on the Select Committee, sent to him, or to the Committee, their suggestions, he would also see that they were fully considered by the Committee.

IMPARTIALITY

Prof. N. G. Ranga (Madras) supporting the Bill said that the returning officers in a State should be brought from another state so as to ensure complete impartiality. Returning Officers recruited from the same State were liable to be influenced by the State authorities. Prof. Ranga wanted that no one should be debarred from contesting elections if he had served a term of imprisonment other than for a case of moral turpitude. It should be made permissible, he said, to appoint more than two polling agents. He supported the distributive system of voting as against the cumulative, and single member constituencies except in areas where seats for scheduled class candidates were reserved. Prof Ranga was opposed to too much power being placed in the hands of police officers who were, he said, not entirely above partisan interests, under the provisions, the police could apprehend persons if found shouting near the booth.

Mr. Krishnachandra Sharma (Uttarpradesh) said that the Bill required a few changes. Firstly, vote of illiterate persons should not be polled either before a candidate or his agents as they were liable to be influenced out of fear by a candidate who might be their zamindar, or a rich man of their district. Secondly, one member of the election tribunal should be taken from another state, and thirdly even the shouting of "positive" slogans such as "if you vote for so and so your gurus or Gandhiji's spirit will receive solace" should also be prohibited in line with the prohibition provided for shouting of "negative" slogans. His other suggestion was that supporters of a candidate should not come near polling booths in military formation and with bands.

Prof. K. K. Bhattacharji (Uttar Pradesh) wanted the Bill to be simplified. There was too much "idealism", he said in the Bill, which might not suit Indian conditions. "We do not want a Bible of elections, but a real election manual", he said.

SCHEDULED CASTES

Chaudhri Ranbir Singh (Punjab) said that seats for scheduled castes should be concentrated as far as possible in the cities. In that case, the voters would be residing in a small area and easily approachable. He wanted that scheduled caste candidates should not be barred from contesting a general seat. He suggested that every village having 250 voters should have a polling booth. In the Punjab, Chaudhiri Ranbir Singh said, there was a great inaccuracy in the preparation of electoral rolls. So when the question of delimitation was decided, it should be done on the basis of population and not the electoral rolls. The Select Committee should find a remedy against the practice that might be resorted by a candidate of deliberately getting bogus votes last in favour of his opponent, thereby ensuring in the event of his defeat that polling was nullified.

Mr. P. Y. Deshpande wanted the Bill to be simplified so as to minimise any litigation in courts about election results.

Mr. R. Velayudhan (Travancore-Cochin) said that to ensure free and fair elections, Government should immediately order the repeal of the Preventive Detention Act and other similar laws.

POLLING STATIONS

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa said he saw no reason why provision should be made in the Bill for the requisitioning of premises to set up polling stations. Tents or temporary structures should serve the purpose.

Mr. S. K. Ahmad Meeran (Madras), supporting the Bill, said every effort must be made to ensure that election propaganda was conducted on a very high level.

Mr. O. V. Alagesan (Madras) said that if indelible ink for making the thumbs of voters could be invented, Government need not prepare electoral rolls and this would save the country a lot of money.

Mr. Munshwardatt Upahdyay (Uttar Pradesh) said that security deposits by Harijan candidates should be fixed very low

Closer was moved and adopted but the Speaker Mavlankar told the House that any member who wished to participate in the discussions of the Select Committee could intimate their names to the Parliamentary Secretariat.

The motion for reference to Select Committee was adopted by the House with an amendment that the report should be submitted by the end of February.

The House then adjourned till February 5, 1951.

CHINESE PREJUDICE FRAUGHT WITH DANGER

Mr. MacDonald's View

SINGAPORE, December 22 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General for South-East Asia, said in a broadcast last night that the British and Commonwealth Governments were "patiently and sagaciously continuing their efforts to find a way of understanding between China and the democratic world.

He said that unfortunately it appeared that China's leaders were acting in close association with Russia's designs.

"It is a million pities that they are so disposed" Mr. MacDonald continued. "Their hostility to America, Britain and the western nations is a prejudice fraught with colossal danger to their country as well as to others."

He said that so far the Chinese had spurned every effort made by Britain to break this prejudice down.

MAKE NEPAL GOVERNMENT POPULAR

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22 (PTI): King Thribhuvan of Nepal in a statement today said that peace in Nepal and progress of his people could only be achieved to the general satisfaction of the people by the association in the government of the country of their elected representatives.

His Majesty hoped that his government and his people would combine national independence with the progress "that comes from enlightened policy and free institutions'.

This is the first time King Thribhuvan has issued a public statement of Nepal since his arrival in India over five weeks ago.

The statement reads:

"I have been in India now of over a month. During this period I have been the guest of the Government of India. From the President, from the Prime Minister and his colleagues, and from the people, I have received greeat kindness and unfailing courtesy. For these manifestations of goodwill towards me and my family and for the hospitality that we have received, I am deeply grateful.

HIS CONCERN

Although I am away from Nepal, my thoughts are constantly with my people, and their progress, prosperity and contentment remain the object of my ardent solicitude. It is my earnest wish that there should be peace in Nepal and that my people should move with the times socially, politically and economically.

"This beneficient aim can only be achieved to the general satisfaction of the people by the association in the government of the country of their elected representatives. It is my fervent hope and devout prayer that, by the exercise wisdom and statesmanship, my government and my ueople will be enabled to combine national independence with the progress that comes from enlighted policy and free institutions".

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE IN NEPAL

Movement To Start On January 14

BANARAS, Dec. 22 (UPI): Prof. Dilliraman Regmi, President of the Nepali National Congress, has announced that January 14 next has been fixed as the date for launching mass civil disobedience movement in Nepal. Batches of satyagrahis, he added, will enter Nepalese territory on that day from Rppaidiha and Raxaul an Indo-Nepalese border, while demonstrations, strikes and other kinds of non-violent activities will begin inside Nepal.

The immediate demands of the Nepali National Congress, he explained in a statement, are (1) Restoration of the King as the constitutional head of the state; (2) Ful civil rights to the people (3) Unconditional release of political prison; (4) Interim popular government; and (5) Constituent assembly elected on adult franchise to frame a democratic constitution as soon as possible.

NO TOTAL BAN ON YARN EXPORT

Reply To Maratha Commerce Chamber

POONA, Dec. 22 (UPI): The Deputy Minister for Commerce, Government of India has informed the Maratha Chamber of Commerce and Industries, Poona, that some exports of yarn are necessary in order to earn foreign exchange required to pay for essential imports.

In the course of a communication addressed to the Chamber the Deputy Minister states: "A total ban on exports of yarn would mean that we would lose all connection with our existing export markets for yarn. This step would also lead to the diversion of trade to other sources of supply".

It may be recalled that the Chamber had, some time back, made a plea for total ban on yarn exports with a view to easing the yarn shortage facing the power and handlooms within the country.

Two hundred and fifteen pounds of mail, out of more than 300 pounds, loaded in the Air-India Dakota which crashed last week in the Denad forests, have been recovered.

PEACE JACKETS TO JOE & HARRY

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 21.

According to the current issue of "Tailor and Cutter" Antonio Santomauro, celebrated Italian tailor, is making peace jackets for Truman and Stalin.

Mr. Truman's jacket will be of white Tibetan wool, double-breasted, with mother of pearl buttons. Embroidered on the left breast pocket will be a globe carried by two doves of peace. Stalin's will be a single breasted jacket which can be worn open or buttoned in the neck; the embroidered dove on his breast will bear an olive bough in its beak.

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

NEVER be fooled by what the Americans call a baby-face. The hall mark of this creature is an innocent expression, big guileless eyes and an aura that practically oozes sanctity. A friend of mine from Manipur, thirty-five, and the father of three strapping youngsters, doesn't look a day over twenty. Like most "baby-faces" he is not exactly the innocent he looks.

He lives in the locality that is vaguely known as "Pilahouse." As those who know their Bombay are aware, this particular place is the haunt of all kinds of questionable characters. Being pay-day, he was returning home with his pockets loaded. Suddenly someone ran past him and dropped what looked like a lump of gold. It fell on the pavement and spread out, revealing itself to be a massive golden necklace.

This is an old, old trick. If the victim nibbles at the bait, and attempts to pocket it surreptitiously, a "C.I.D." materialises out of nowhere and threatens to drag him to the police station. The victim begins to whine and ends up by giving hush-money to his accommodating captor in return for the charges being dropped.

But if the victim is more honest and attempts to go after the fellow who dropped the bundle and return it, the same "C.I.D." comes—this time as a shrewd member of the public, and, telling him not to act like a fool, promises to dispose of their find for a tidy sum. By this time, an accomplice arrives, denounces everybody, and—as usual—wants to call the police. As an afterthought he adds that he is willing to let go the gold in return for fifty rupees. Most people fall for this, give the the fifty and wind up at home with a "gold" necklace made of the purest brass.

But my Manipuri friend knew all these tricks and some others besides. He waited till the C.I.D. came on the scene, caught hold of him, and without further ado set about belabouring him. When the second "C.I.D." arrived, he grabbed him by the scruff of the neck and began to march both fellows in the direction of the police station.

The net gains from the evening's work were one "gold" chain—worth at least five rupees: it was beautifully worked—and twenty rupees which the crooks paid to secure their release. The effect of his unusual resort to direct action was that from that time to this, none of the hoodlums of this rough and tough area have dared to tangle with the hero of this tale.

In my own perverse way, I am inclined to imagine that if ever he feels like getting a gang together, the first recruits will be the pair he thrashed.

Atom Research In Russia

INTENSIVE EFFORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (PTI-Reuter): High atomic officials have informed Senators that Russia is engaged "in an intensive effort" to develop atomic weapons, it was learned here.

The information came from Mr. Gordon Dean, Chairman of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, and Mr. Carleton Shugg Deputy A. E. C. General Manager before a closed session of the Senate Appropriations Committee this week.

Mr. Shugg told Senators that America's new atomic programme involves "at least six new sites."

Mr. Dean said the atomic production officials here "want to complete plants with the very tight time table laid down."

The Senate yesterday approved a new fund of 1,080 million dollars for atomic development or some 240 million more than had been allowed by the House.

Mr. Dean and Mr. Shugg mentioned two new plant locations. One was a "new gaseous diffusion plant" at Paducah, Kentucky.

Mr. Shugg said the other was "to be a new type plant" near Savannah, Georgia.

The subject of Russia's progress in atomic development was raised by Senator William Knowland (Republican, California).

Recalling President Truman's announcement in September 1949 of the Russian atomic explosion Senator Knowland said there had been some conflicting discussion on this recently.

ANY DIFFERENCES?

He asked if there were any differences of opinion among the five Atomic Commissions or competent scientists "on whether there was an explosion in the Soviet Union and whether there is any indication that would lead the commission to believe the Soviet Union was not proceeding as rapidly as possible with the development of their weapons."

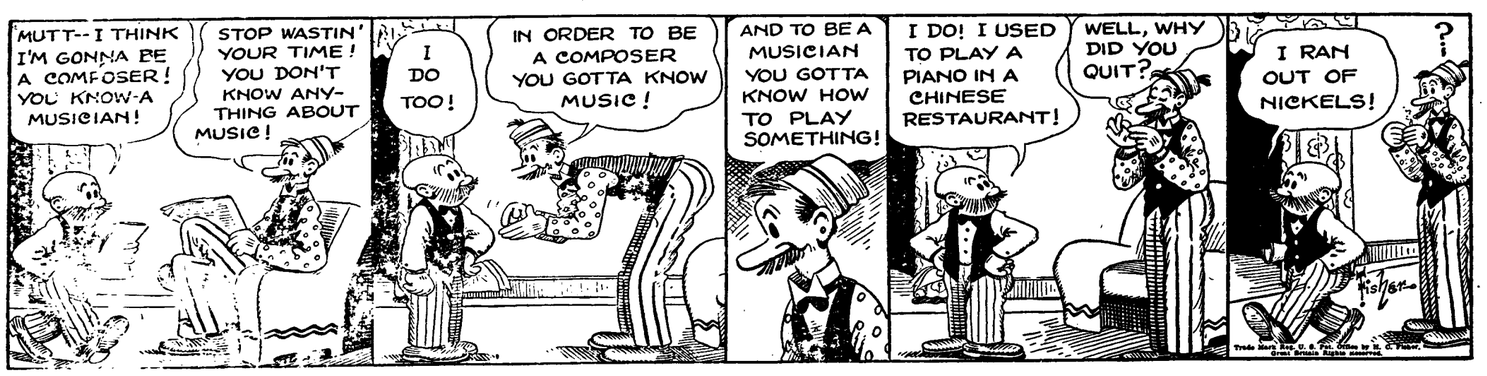
Mr. Dean replied: "There is no difference of opinion among the Commissions that there was an atomic explosion in Russia as was announced in September 1949.

"I know of no mental reservations or differences of opinion among the scientists who were available to us and who appraised the evidence on that point."

"Our information is quite reliable that it is an intensive effort and that they have available to them facilities—and undemocratic methods of using those facilities—which make it clear to the people of this country that their programme is not leisurely."

MUTT AND JEFF- And That Had Everybody Else Happy Anyway

By BUD FISHER


MUTT--I THINK I'M GONNA BE A COMPOSER! YOU KNOW-A MUSICIAN!
STOP WASTIN' YOUR TIME! YOU DON'T KNOW ANY-THING ABOUT MUSIC!
I DO TOO!
IN ORDER TO BE A COMPOSER YOU GOTTA KNOW MUSIC!
AND TO BE A MUSICIAN YOU GOTTA KNOW HOW TO PLAY SOMETHING!
I DO! I USED TO PLAY A PIANO IN A CHINESE RESTAURANT!
WELL, WHY DID YOU QUIT?
I RAN OUT OF NICKELS!
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